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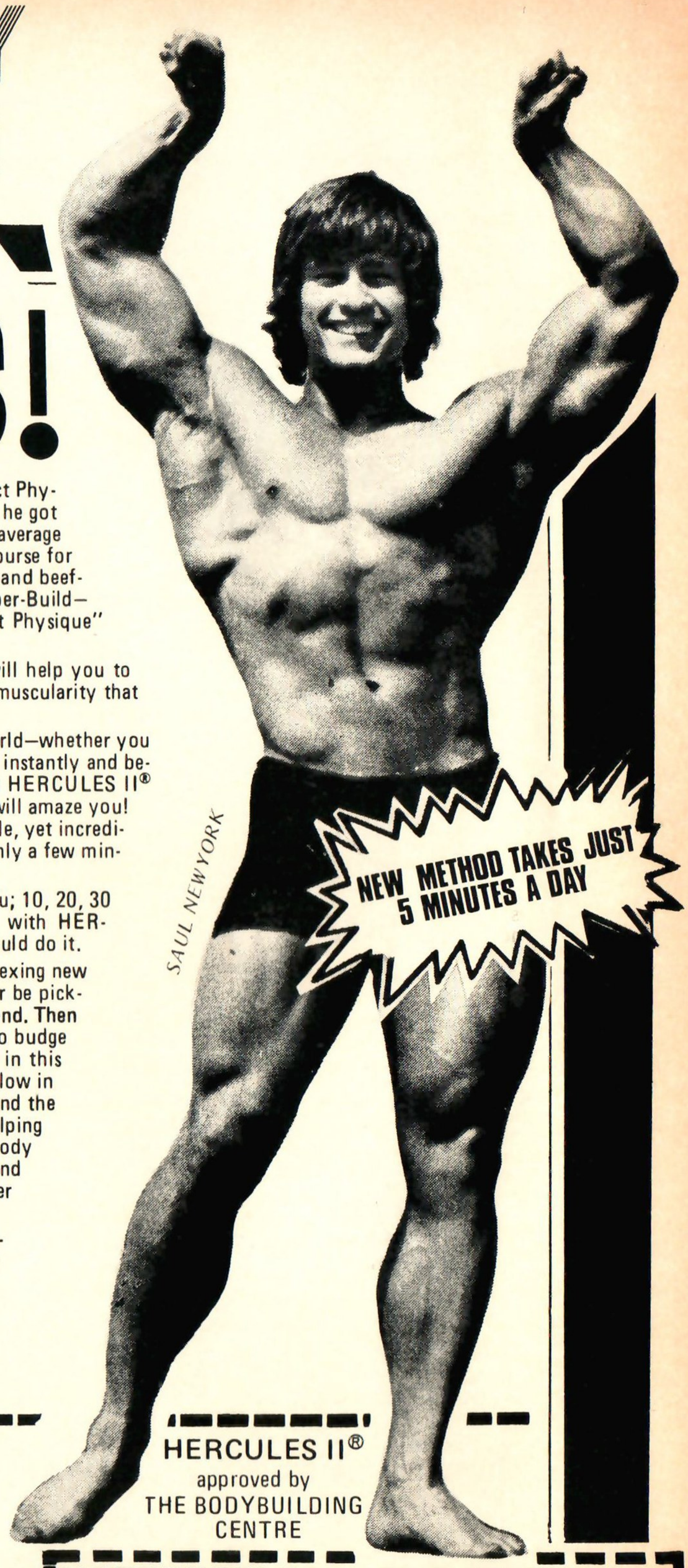

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3—BILLY GRAHAM
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5—IVAN KOLOFF
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8—DON MURACO
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10—HORST HOFFMAN

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3—LORD LITTLEBROOK
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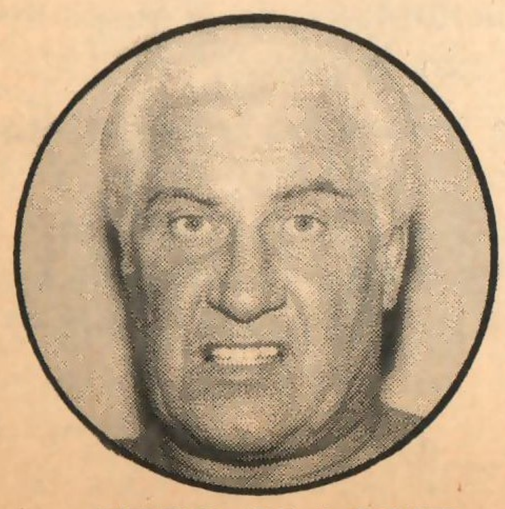

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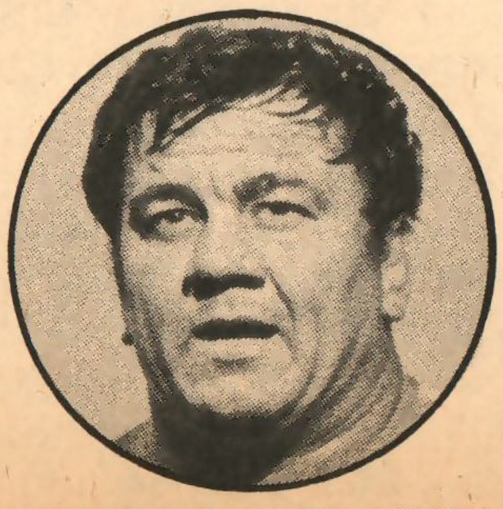

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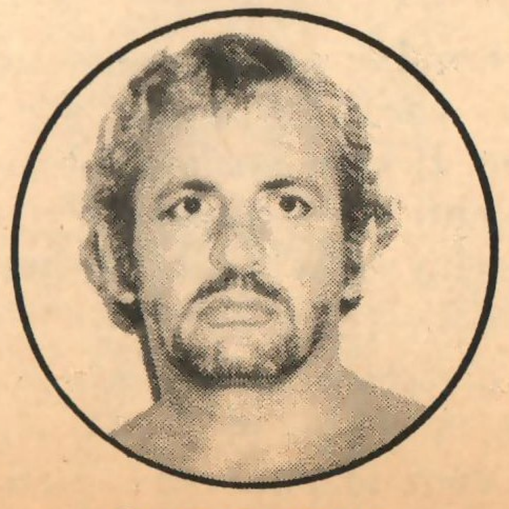

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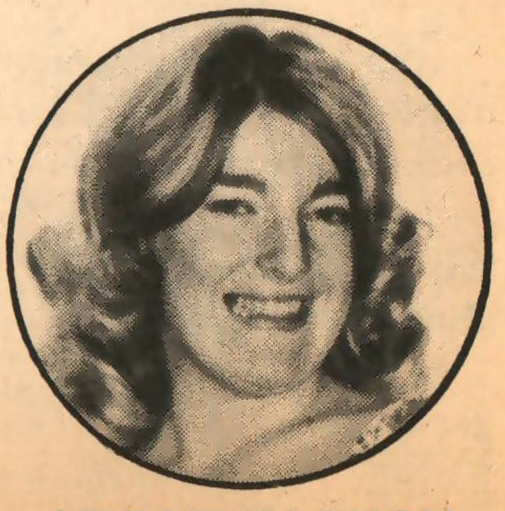

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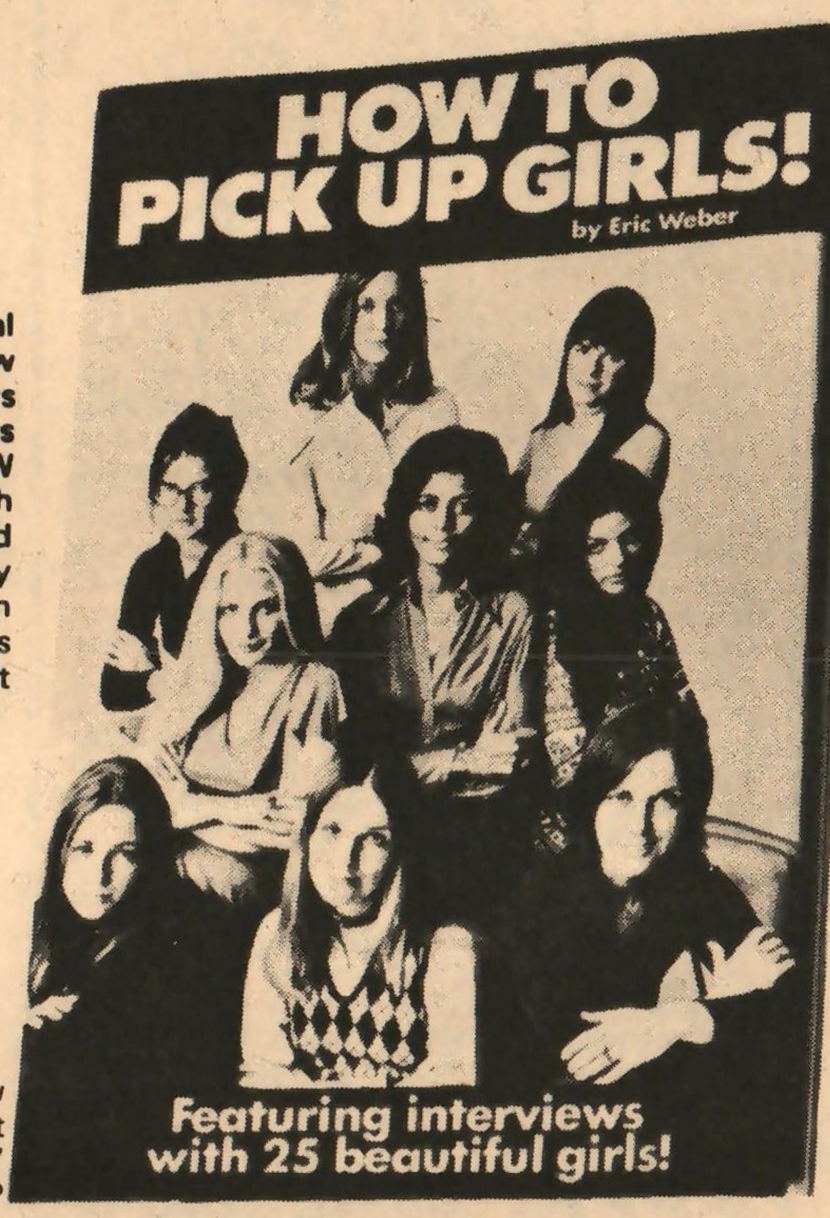

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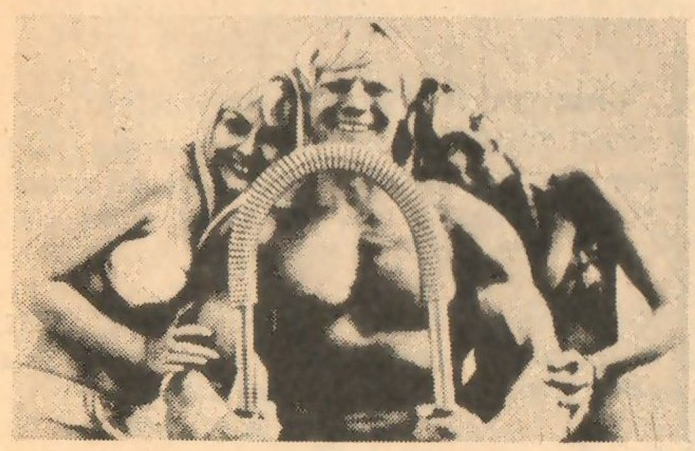

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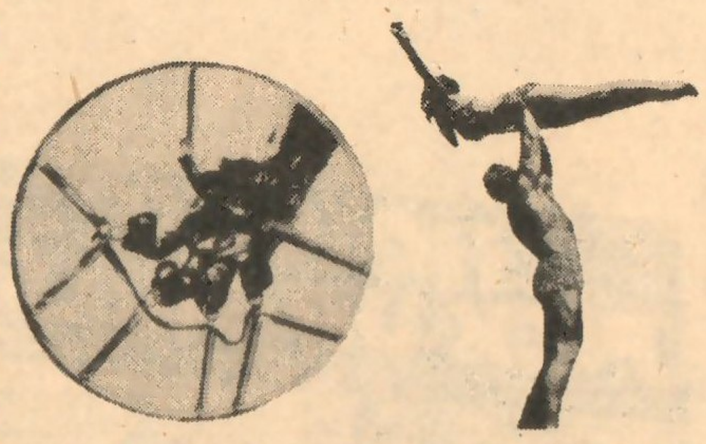

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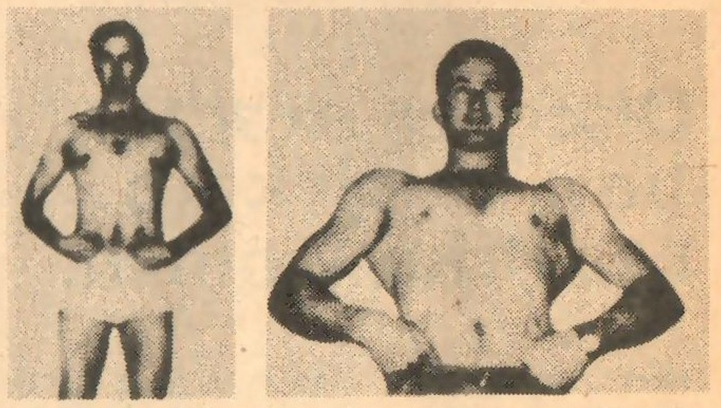

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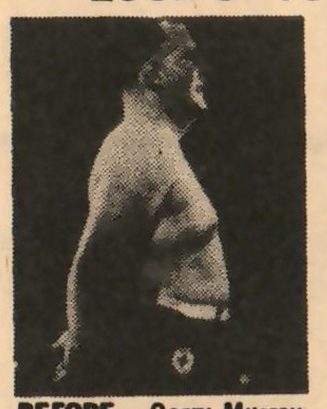

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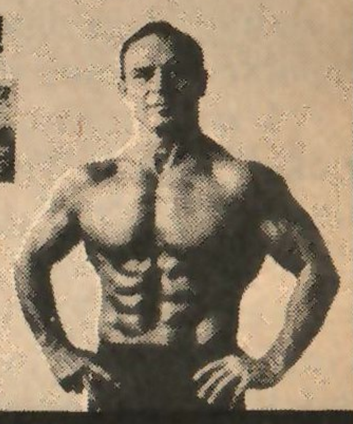

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HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING, BABY!

By Bill Apter

WHILE DORY FUNK Jr's. recovering from the multiple injuries he received in a truck accident, Jack Brisco, the number one contender for Funk's N.W.A. heavyweight title, has been fulfilling the champ's commitments.

"Sam Muchnik asked me to do it," Brisco explained. "I won't be defending Dory's belt but if I'm beaten the guy who does it immediately moves into the place I now hold in the ratings. It'll also give me a chance to live a champion's schedule. I'm anxious to see if I'm capable of doing it."

"I don't know why Muchnik picked him," Terry Funk, Dory's younger brother questioned. "After all, if he wants to give the men who were supposed to wrestle my brother a taste of championship material, he should've picked me, the uncrowned champion."

Dory Funk Jr. is reported to be satisfied with Muchnik's choice.

"Brisco's proven himself," the champ told our reporter from his hospital bed. "I'm curious to see how he'll do against the best in the business. He'll be going to Australia for me, Japan and also all over the United States. However, as soon as I'm out of here I want to wrestle him again just to show him I'm still a little better!"

Tony Angelo, the man who originally managed the Mongols before selling their contract to Lou Albano, is once again controlling the vicious duo.

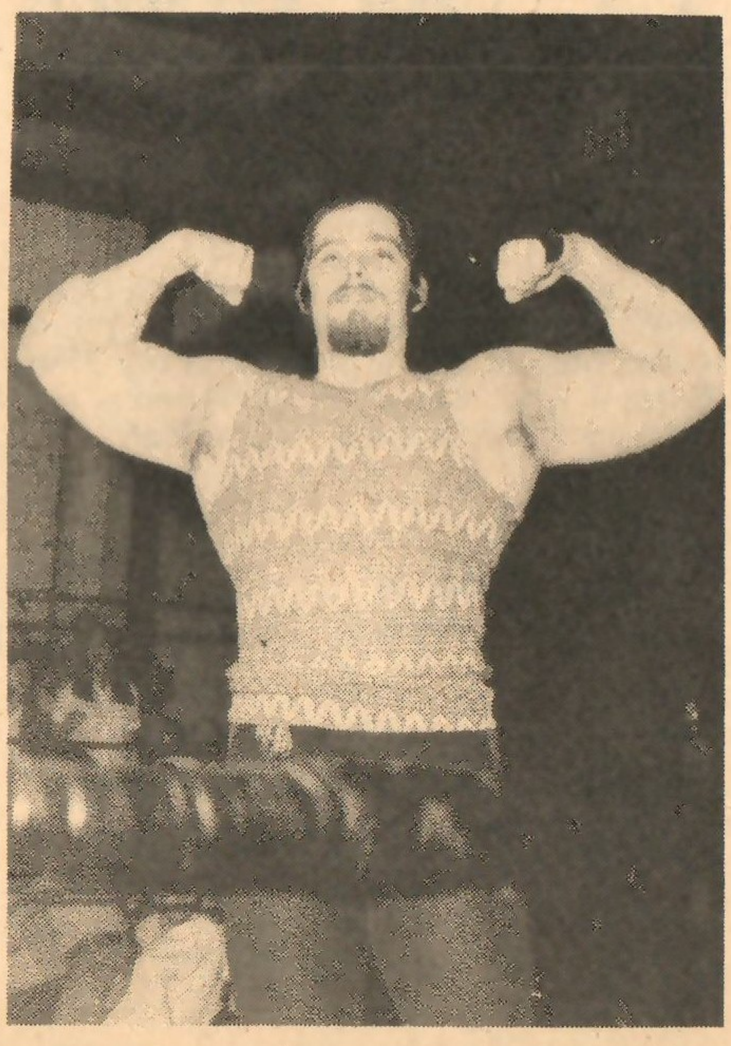
"I'm building the greatest stable of wrestlers in the world," Angelo bragged. "I have the Mongols, the Fargos and Eric The Animal, the North American Champion. No other manager can boast such a fantastic group of talent."

Incidentally, there's a petition being circulated all over Cleveland, Ohio and other N.W.F. areas to remove a bone from Eric The Animal! You see, Eric carries a two-foot-long, five-inch-thick bone into the ring with him and uses it to beat his opponent senseless.

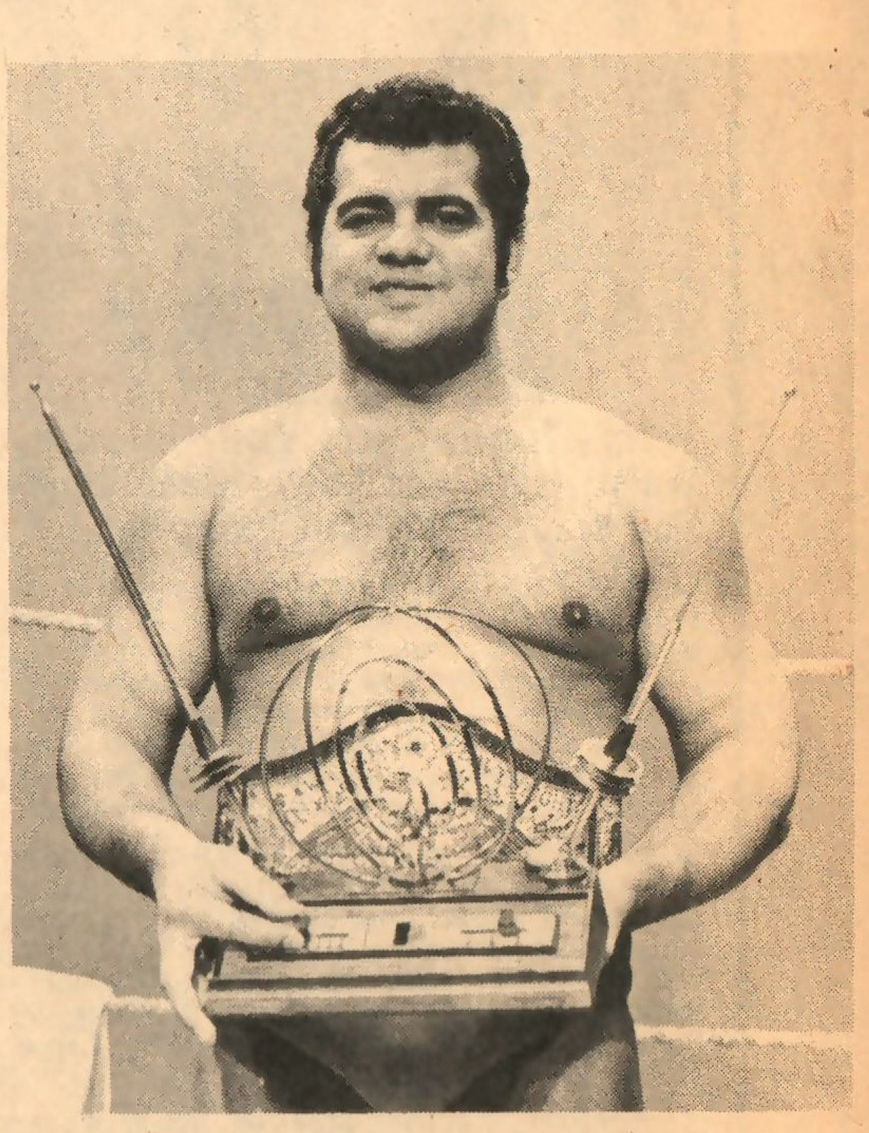
"I carry it for protection," Eric told us. "What am I supposed to do when a guy like Haystacks Calhoun comes into the ring with that steel horseshoe he uses to win his matches? I've got to have protection. I never use the bone unless my opponent uses a foreign object on me first."

Wrestling was saddened recently at the death of beloved promoter Jim Crockett. Crockett promoted throughout the southeast and had heart trouble in his later years. An influential and irreplaceable part of wrestling, Jim Crockett's loss will be mourned.

Correspondent Pat Woodruff reports that the dynamic new team of Ted and Jerry Oates have lost the Tri-State tag team belts. The title is presently held by Steve Lawler and Buddy Wayne. The fans don't dig them too much but they've already defended the title successfully a dozen or more times so you've got to give 'em credit.



Steve Lawler, who with partner Buddy Wayne won the Tri-State tag team title, is not popular with fans. But you can't knock Steve's success.



Spaceman? Nope. It's Pedro Morales as he looks during a TV commercial he does for a TV antenna company. The spot appears on New York TV.

What would you do if you won $700 in a battle royal? Go on a long trip or maybe spend it for a new wardrobe? Not if you're The Canadian Beast. If you're The Canadian Beast you'll eat the money! That's right. The animal won a battle royal and ate seven crisp, new, one hundred dollar bills in front of everyone.

"I eat de hole thin' " he chuckled after gulping it down. Then he rubbed his stomach and contently walked back to the dressing room!

Bruno Sammartino is wrestling in W.W.A. territory and the fans love him. As usual, he's drawing packed houses...Sonny King is "sick and tired of wrestling to draws because of 10-minute time limit matches," as he put it...Fred Blassie chewed Chief Strongbow up so badly on television,

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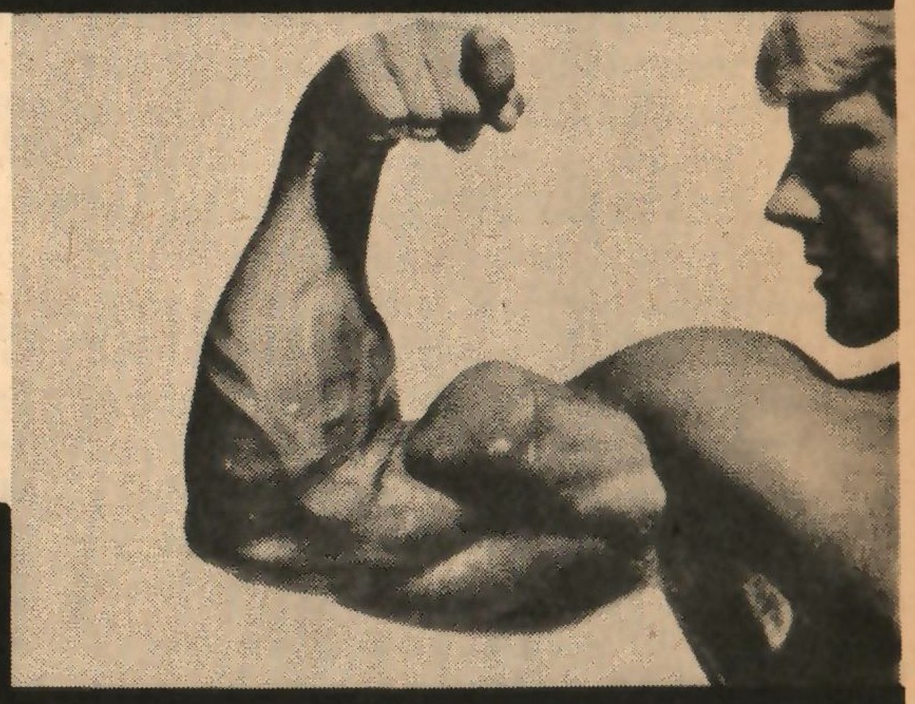

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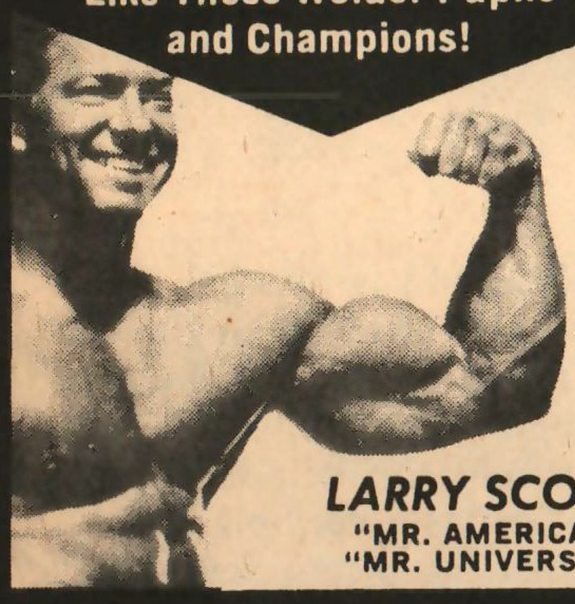

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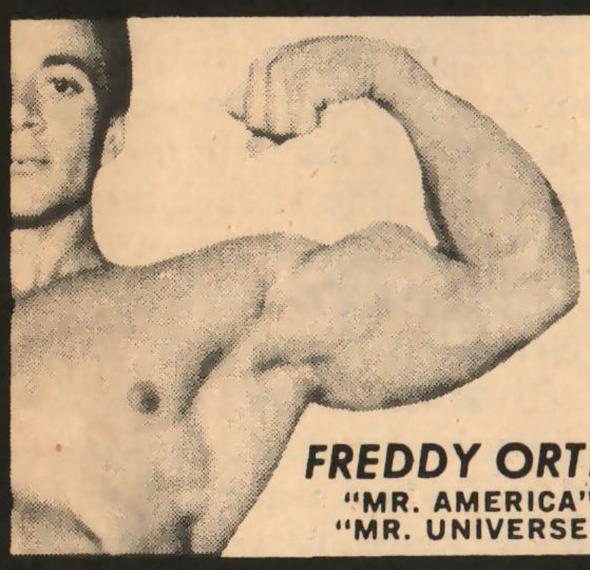

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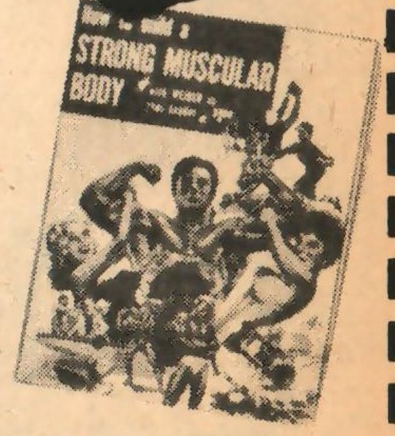

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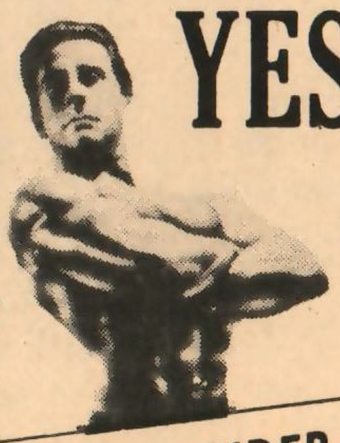

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REPORTS FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

CALIFORNIA ACTION
By Larry Barnhizer

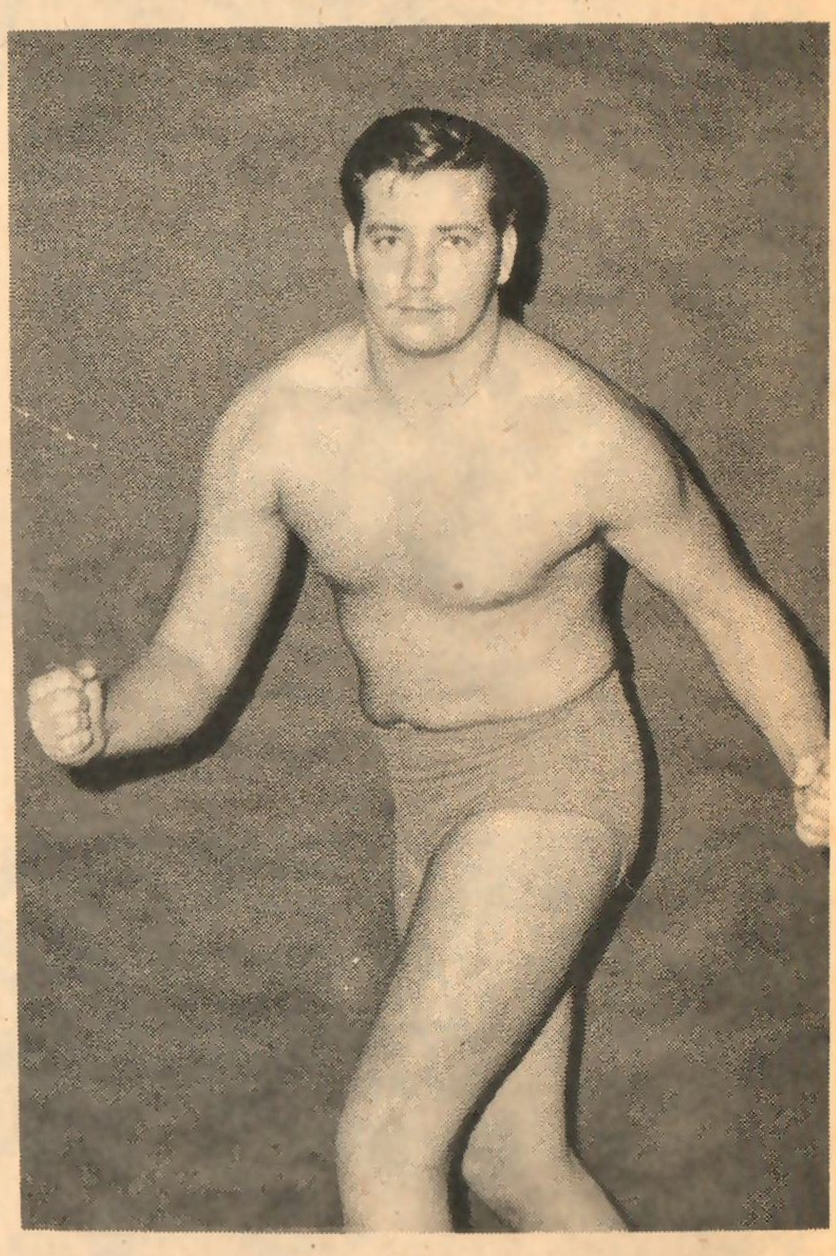
At Sacramento, Ray Stevens was pitted against rough Juan Rivas. Ray dazzled the young Puerto Rican ruffian with a series of flying arm drags. Then Rivas retaliated with a series of body slams and eye gouges. Next Juan whipped Stevens from corner to corner.

Ray "blew his cool" and let go. He picked Rivas up and threw him over the top rope and out of the ring. Juan quickly returned and grabbed Ray, tossed him onto the ring apron and climbed onto the apron himself where he bagan to choke him. Ray grabbed one of Juan's legs and tripped him. Juan fell onto the floor. Ray followed and smashed Juan's head into the press table. Then he dragged him back into the ring, slammed him near a corner, mounted the ropes and "atomic dropped" Juan for the win.

At Stockton, Pat Patterson, Rocky Johnson and Pepper Gomez upset The Great Mephisto, Luke Graham and The Masked Intern number two...The Masked Intern number one stopped Reno Tuufuli...Red Bastien defeated Tio Taylor.

At Modesto, Pepper Gomez topped The Great Mephisto...Red Bastien and Luke Graham battled to a draw...Pat Patterson, Red Bastien and Rocky Johnson slammed The Interns and Luke Graham.

Ray Stevens needed the ropes for support after some body slams by Juan Rivas. But Stevens recovered and let Rivas have it.



Jimmy Golden (right) lost his Tri-State singles belt to Rick Renaldo in Alabama.

ALABAMA HAPPENINGS
By Pat Woodruff

In a very bloody match, Jimmy Golden and Burhead Jones failed to recapture the Tri-State title they lost to Steve Lawler and Buddy Wayne. Many fans feel that Wayne and Lawler get themselves purposely disqualified in their title defenses so they won't lose the belts. As you know, a title can't change hands on a disqualification.

Well, with one fall each to their credit, Wayne slammed Burhead, turned him upside down, and tied his shoelaces to the ringpost! Burhead tried to wriggle free as they kicked him viciously time and again. Trying to free himself, Jones squirmed until he fractured his ankle! Lawler and Wayne kept on kicking and were disqualified when they were repeatedly warned and refused to let up.

Mr. Hollywood is his nickname but Rick Renaldo is his real name. He just won the Tri-State singles belt from Jimmy Golden and the fans don't like him very much. They'd like to see Jim win the belt back from the man who has a very big ego.

The Blitzer has a real devastating neck breaker and Leon Chandler has found that out. Leon had to be carried from the ring after Blitzer repeatedly applied the hold and almost broke Leon's neck.

The Wrestler, a masked man from somewhere down South, dressed in white, sure made a hit with all the fans. He is very polite at each interview and is a tremendous wrestler.

THE ATLANTA MAT
By Brian Bredow and Charles Mills

N.W.A. Promoter Paul Jones put on a super card which was headlined by a world title match between Dory Funk Jr. and challenger Mr. Wrestling.

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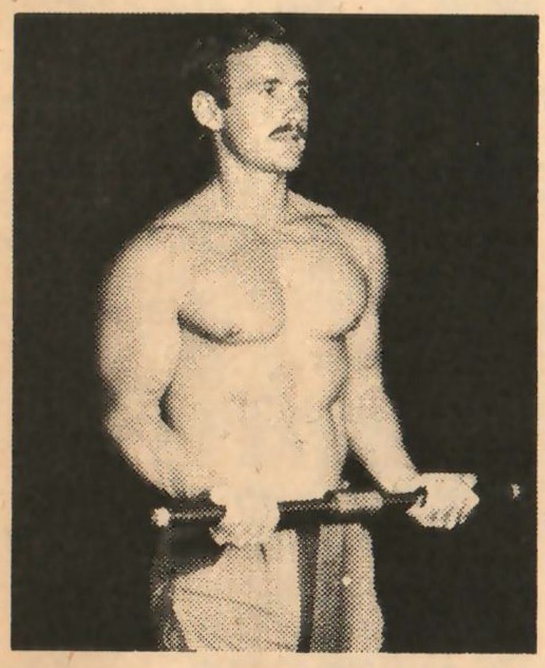

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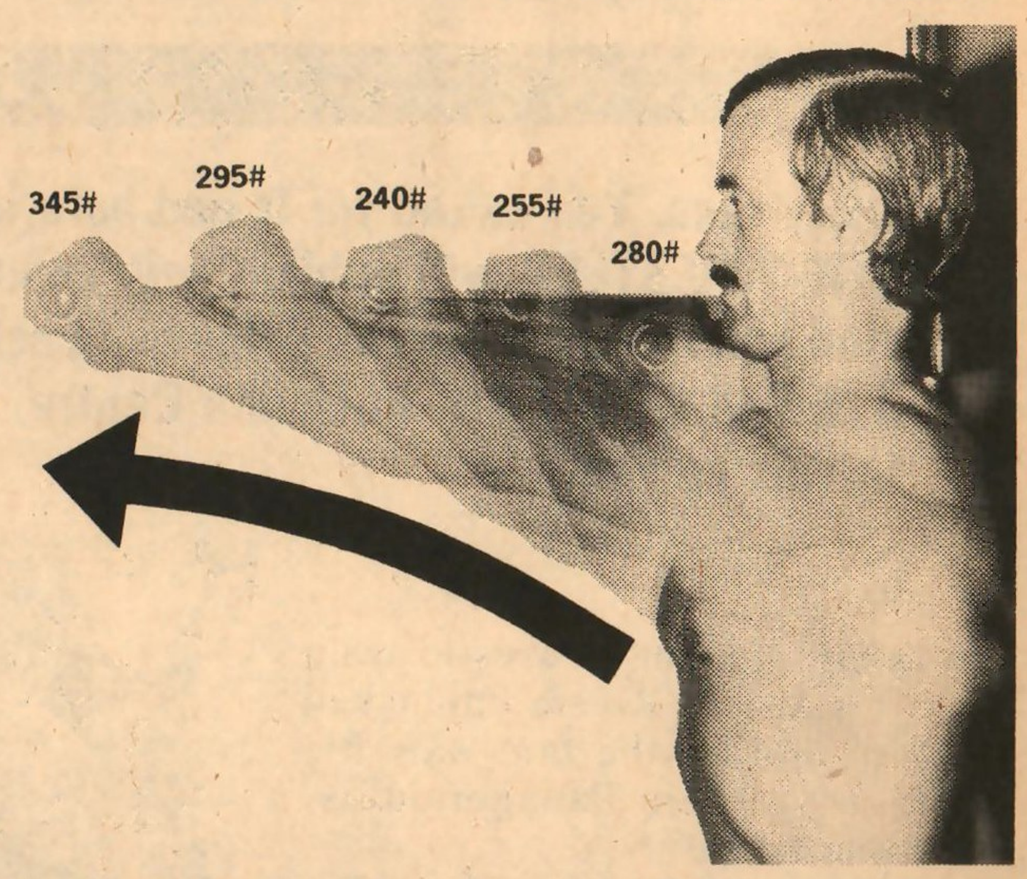

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4. Many of the professional football teams (colleges and high schools too) are now using isokinetics, and others are quickly following.

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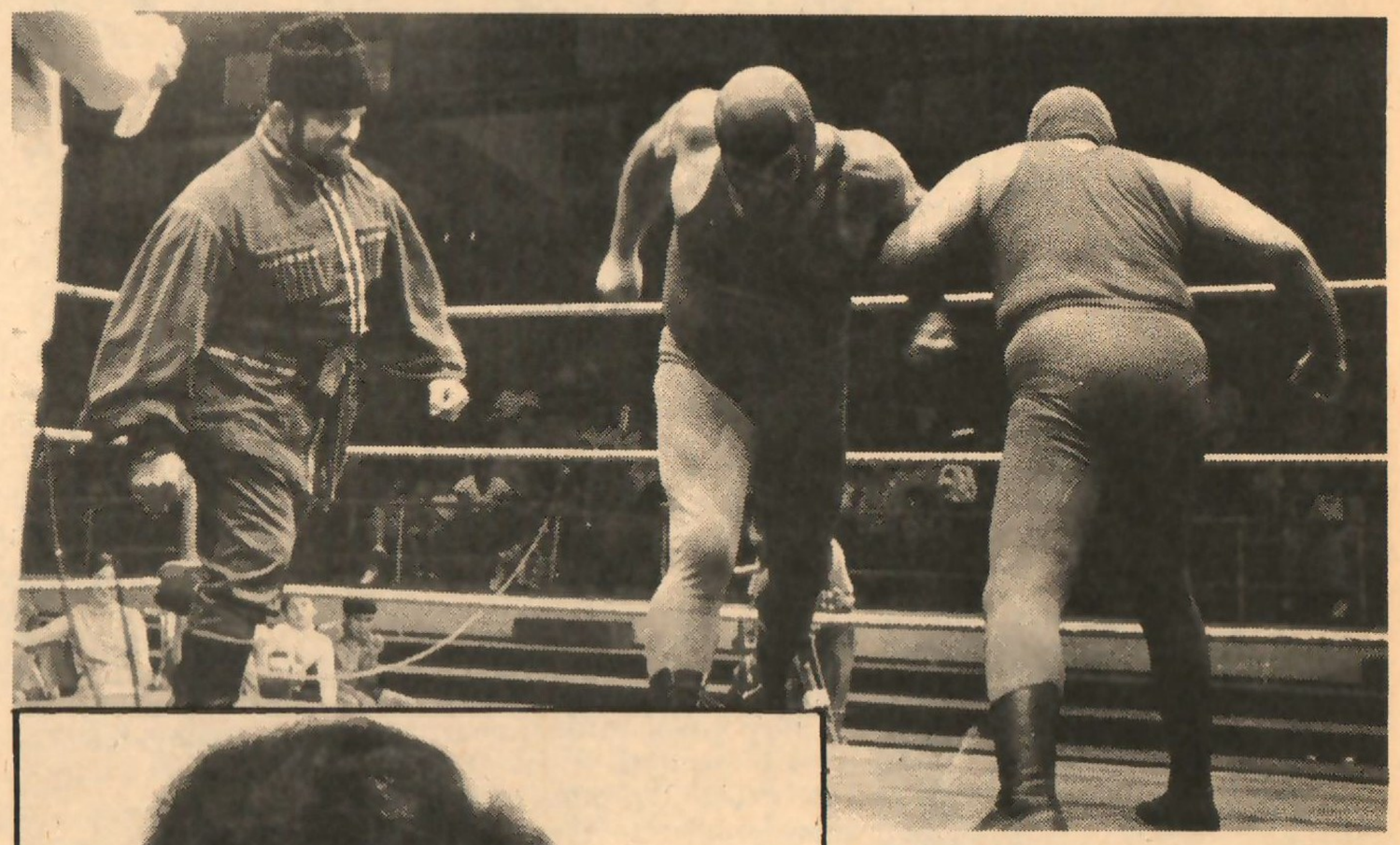


The Masked Russians (above) are still wrestling—but without masks, manager Nikita Mulkovich, or each other. Beautiful Ann Casey (left) is still wrestling without her boots, and she says it can sometimes be a real pain—in the toe.

Q: Is Dr. X going to wrestle again after Victor Rivera unmasked him and all the fans saw his face?—Eddie Panagopoulos, Long Island, N.Y.

A: Yes. As a matter of fact, Dr. X, who's not the same one A.W.A. fans know, now comes into the ring unmasked. However he does perch the mask on a ringpost. When he's in trouble he runs to the corner, puts on the mask, which appears to be "loaded" with something, headbutts his opponent, and pins him.

Q What ever happened to the Masked Russians?—Stephen Buono, Bronx, N.Y.

A: After having a fallout with manager Nikita Mulkovich, the Russians split up, unmasked, and are wrestling individually in the United States.

Q: Why doesn't Chief Jay Strongbow ever wrestle clean wrestlers?—Tom Bowman, Palmerton, Pa.

A: "I'd like nothing better," the Chief told us. "However, the promoters make the matches, not me. Maybe if you write in to the people who match me, they'll consider it."

Q: Is Verna Gagne ducking Billy Robinson?—Steve Laughlin, Duluth, Minn.

A: "Yes," Verne chuckled. "In a way, I am. I don't look forward to wrestling him for the title. However, I do welcome wrestling him just for the sake of wrestling someone scientific."

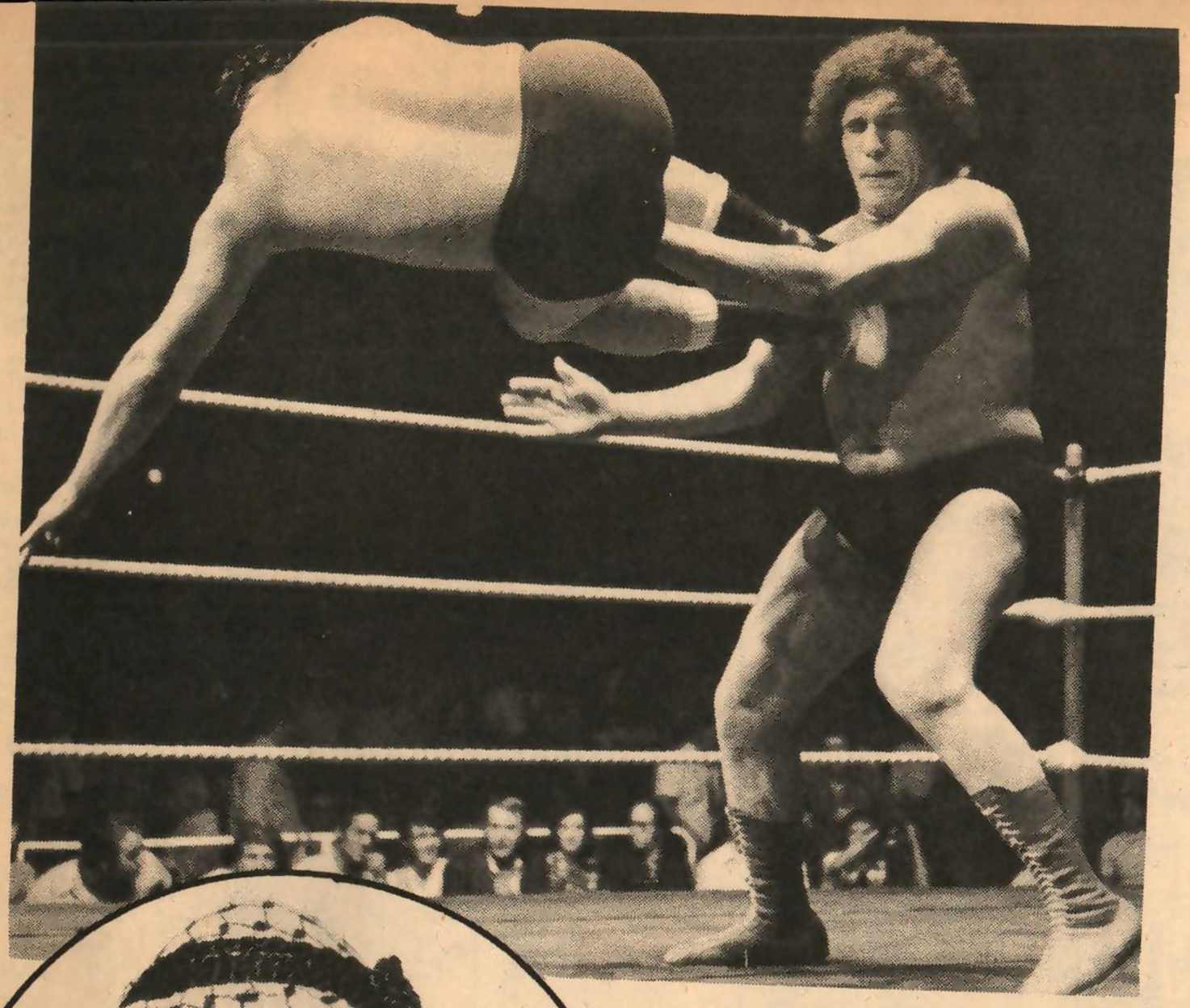
Q: Have any of Ann Casey's opponents taken unfair advantage of her wrestling in bare feet?—Dawn Calhoun, Minneapolis, Minn.

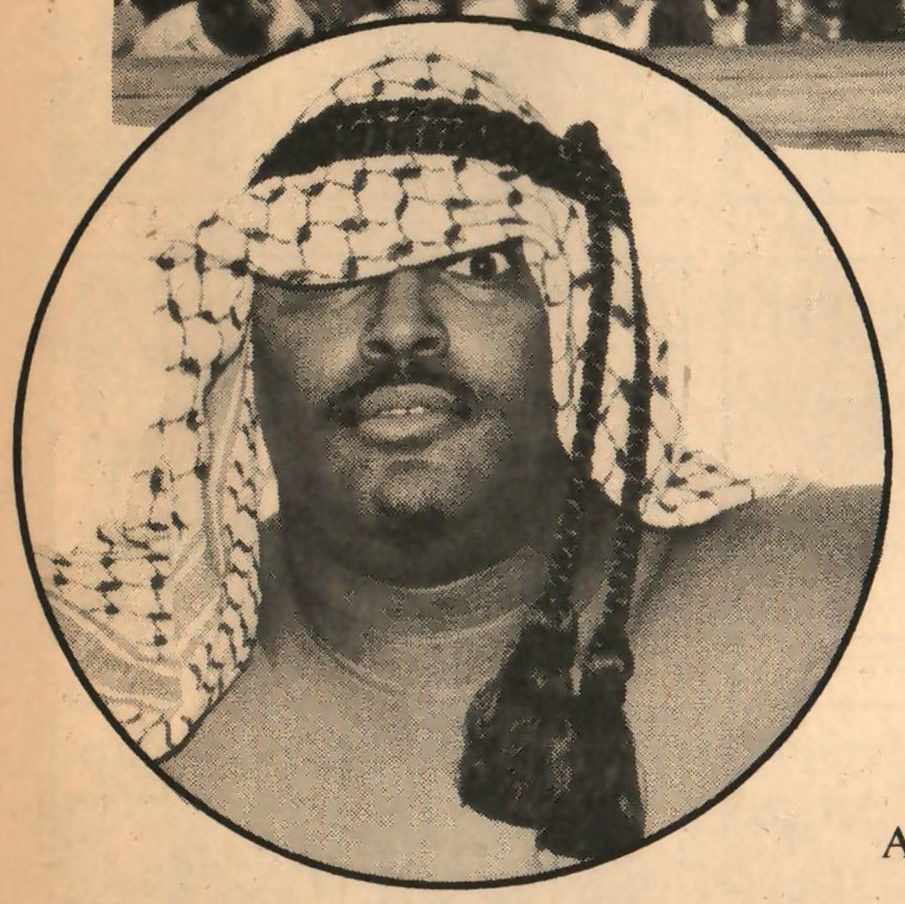
A: "They certainly have," beautiful Ann said. "Many times when I have an opponent in a headlock or a finger hold, they step on my feet and I have to break it. Wow, is that painful! I remember one time I had to soak my feet almost an hour after a match!"

Q: Who have been Johnny Powers' toughest opponents?—Javier Zavala, Lorain, Ohio.

A: "Johnny Valentine, Eric The Animal and Bulldog Brower," Johnny said. "All my opponents are tough but these guys take the cake. Oh, add Pampero Firpo and The Sheik to that list."

Q: In the April/'73 issue of THE





Andre The Giant has faced Don Leo Jonathan several times (above) and Andre says he's not afraid of anyone as big as Don is. What isn't big is Abdullah the Butcher's (left) English vocabulary. "Murder" and "demolish" are about it.

WRESTLER, you asked "Who Is The Masked Black Medic?" Is it Sonny King?—Dave Yany, Pawtucket, R.I.

A: "Heck, no," Sonny replied. "I'd never wear a getup like that. All my fans know I'd never put on a mask and wrestle dirty."

Q: Are Bruno Sammartino and Pedro Morales friends again and will they ever team up again?—Eddie Giuliott, East Boston, Mass.

A: "Yes, we're friends," Pedro said. "Bruno and I ironed out our differences awhile ago and we'd love to team up again."

Q: Does Luke Graham plan to return to Minneapolis?—Tom Olsen, Minneapolis, Minn.

A: "Luke Graham does not plan to return. THE FABULOUS Luke Graham plans to return," he stressed, "after I finish wipin' up the junk here in California."

Q: Why does Bruiser always wear an elbow brace?—Matt Lerner, Minneapolis, Minn.

A: "I've been wearing that for years," Bruiser said. "That protects an injury I received on the football field many years ago."

Q: Will Tony Garea ever team with Pedro Morales to try and capture the W.W.W.F. tag team title?—Joseph Hemingway, Westbrook, Maine.

A: "That's almost impossible," Tony said. "Pedro is tied up in single title defenses and doesn't have the time to team up often. I'd love to team with him for the title but it looks like it'll never come about."

Q: Is Dory Funk Jr. afraid to put his belt on the line against Pedro Morales or Verne Gagne?—Mike Mercer, Houston, Texas.

A: "Of course not," Dory said. "I fear no man. Every man I wrestle is a challenge to me. If I was afraid of my opponent I wouldn't be in the position I am today. If the promoters want me to wrestle Pedro or Gagne, let's go. I'm all for it."

Q: Does Abdullah The Butcher speak English?—Peter Gremlin, Hamilton, Ontario.

A: "No," explained Bruce Swayze, Abdullah's manager. "He knows only a few words. Murder and demolish are two of his pet words."

Q: Does Vivian Vachon dislike the way her brothers wrestle, the way they break rules?—Frank Zallone, Milwaukee, Wis.

A: "I don't question their tactics," Vivian said. "It's important that my brothers win—no matter how they do it."

Q: Is it true King Curtis can eat live goldfish and chew glass just like Moon Dog Mayne?—Ethel Backwater, Hamilton, Ont.

A: "That's right," said the wild Hawaiian star. "Mayne learned how to do it when he was in Hawaii. Most of the Hawaiian wrestlers can do it. We're the greatest wrestlers in the world!"

Q: Would Andre The Giant ever wrestle a guy as big as Ernie Ladd? I only see him wrestling smaller men.—Tony Esposito, Bronx, N.Y.

A: "I've wrestled Don Leo Jonathan several times," Andre said. "I'm not afraid of anyone as big as me. If they have the guts to challenge me, I'll accept. So far I have never heard from Ladd."

Q: Is it true Jim Valiant and his current manager Bobby Heenan are constantly fighting between themselves?—Gary Picaser, Flint, Mich.

A: There have been reports that they are very jealous of each other's looks. Valiant had the same problem with Ernie Ladd and they split up after their first tag team match together. If there is trouble with Valiant and Heenan, it hasn't come to the surface yet.

Q: I've seen Tony Parisi use the name Tony Pugliese several times. What gives?—Alan Howard, Toronto, Ont.

A: "A lot of people have trouble pronouncing and remembering Pugliese," Tony said, "so I shortened it to Parisi." □

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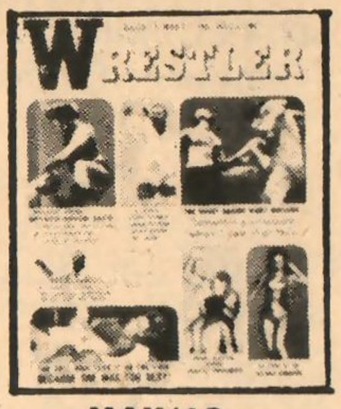
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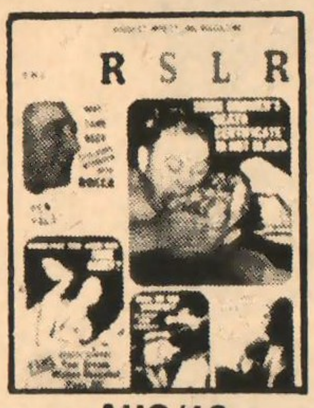
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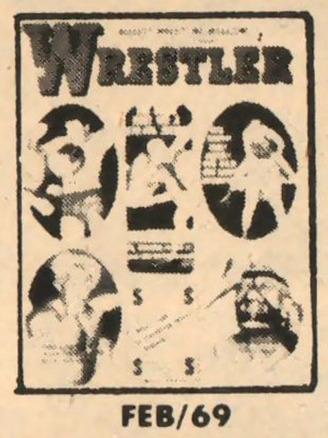
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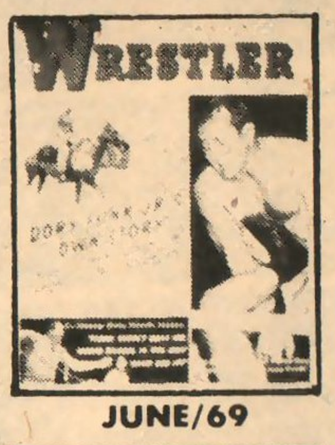
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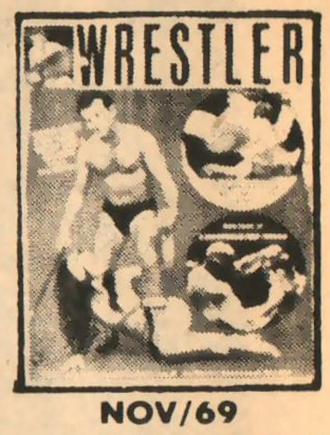
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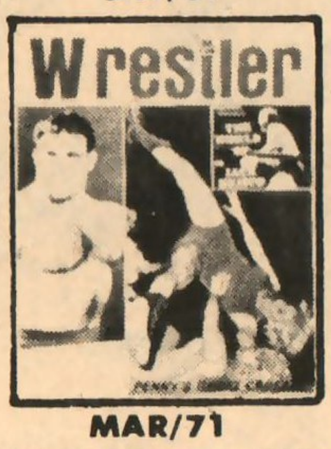
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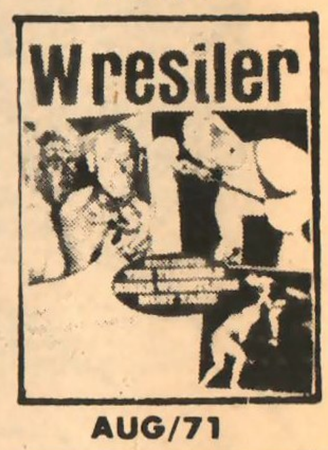
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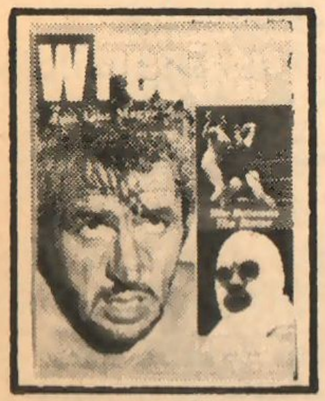
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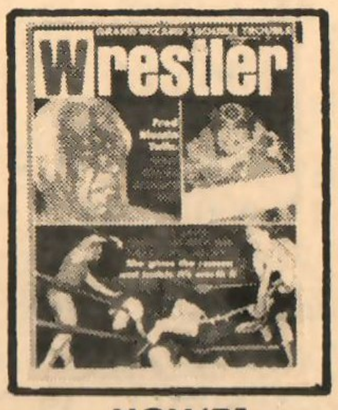
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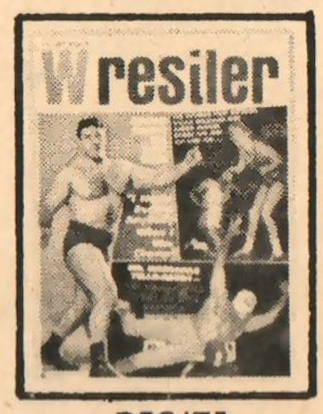
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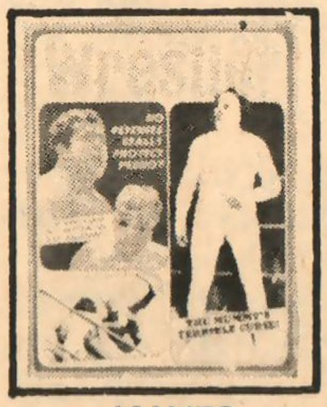
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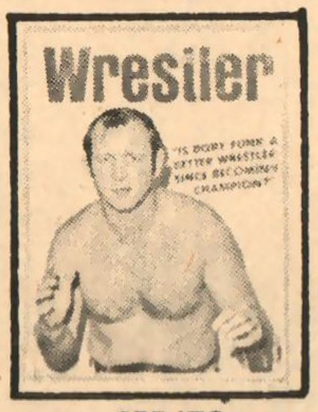
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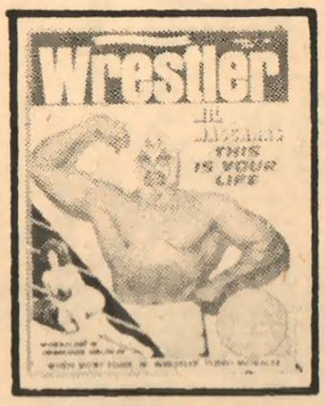
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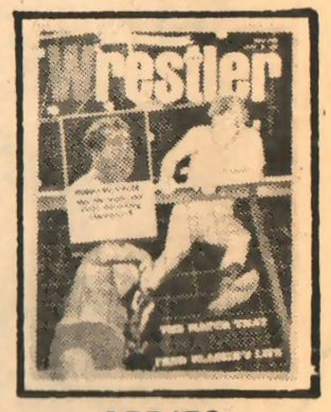
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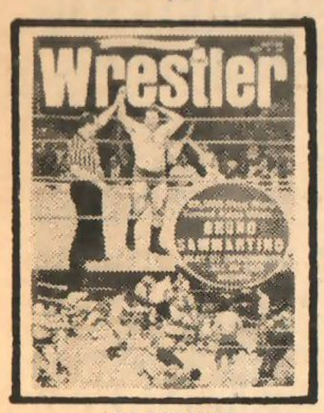
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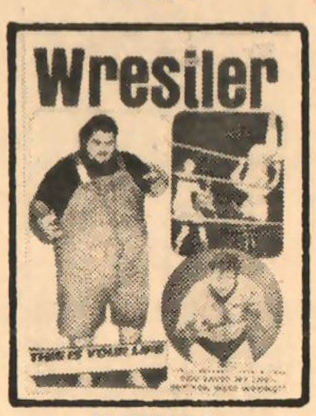
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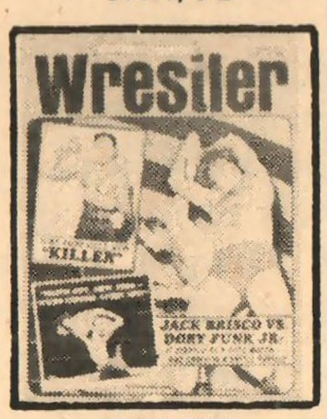
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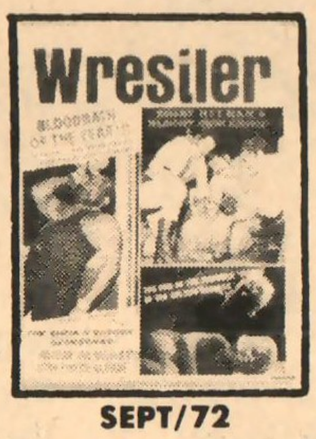
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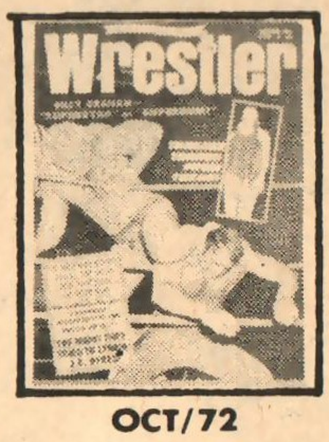
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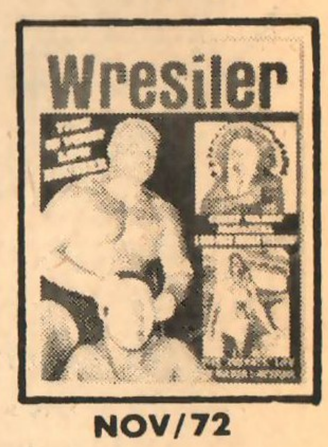
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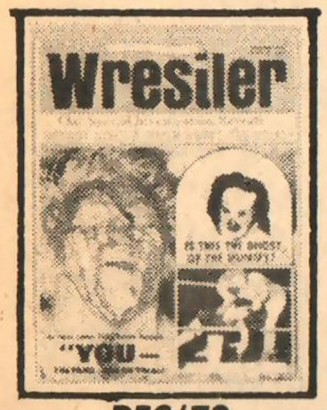
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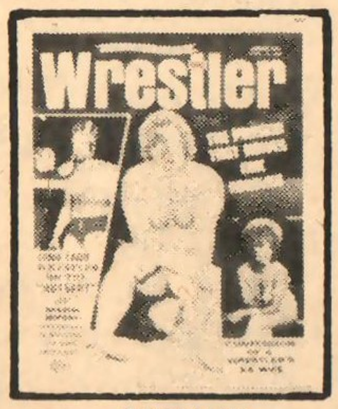
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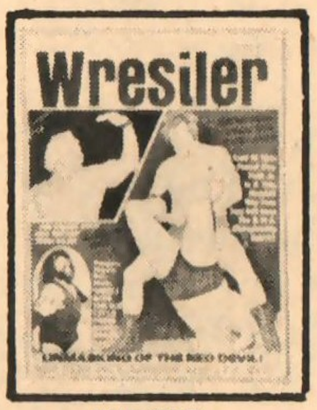
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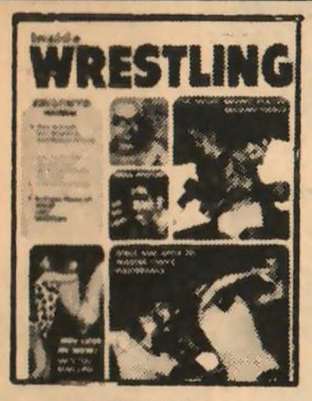

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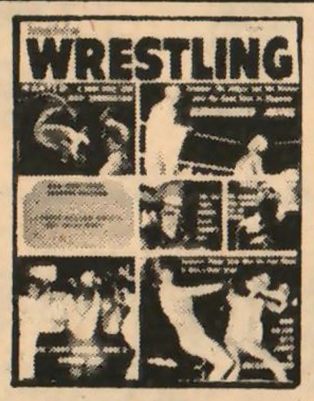

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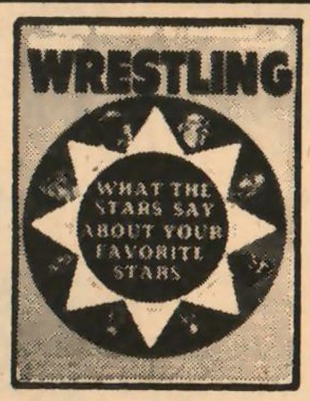

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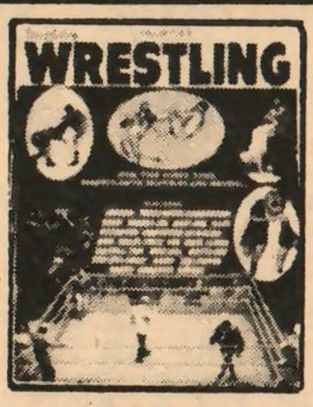

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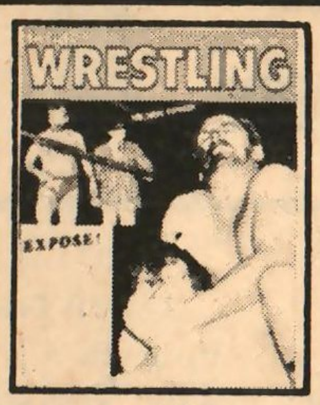

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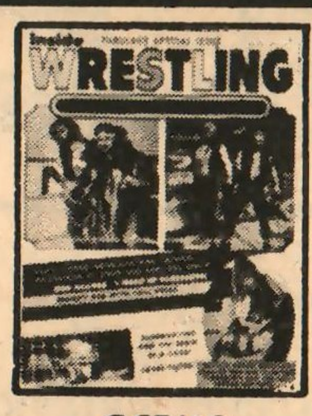

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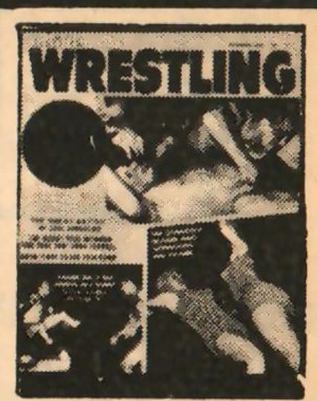

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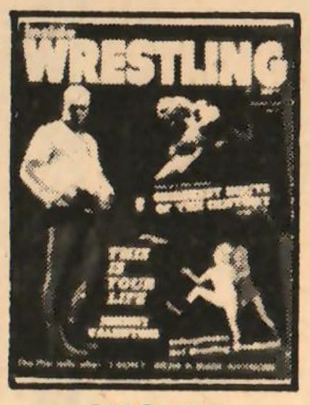

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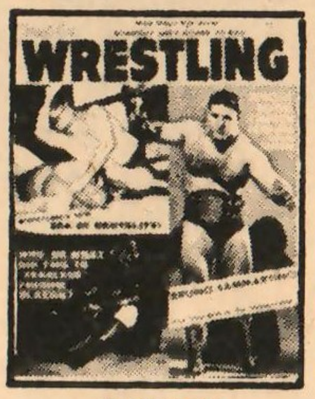

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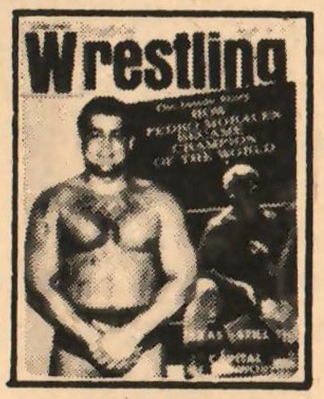

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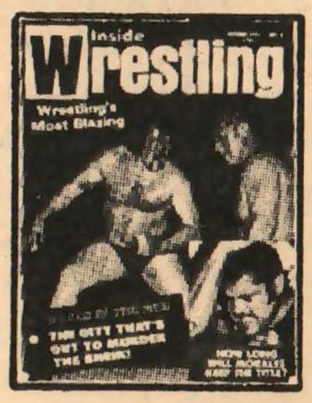

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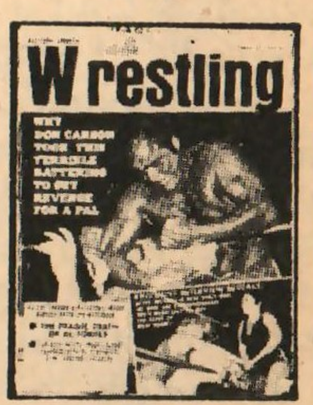

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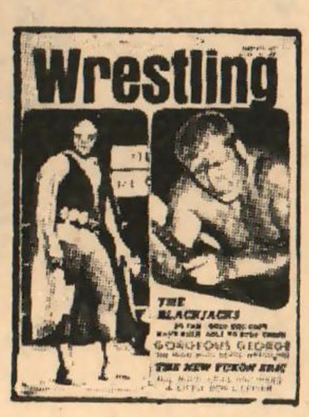

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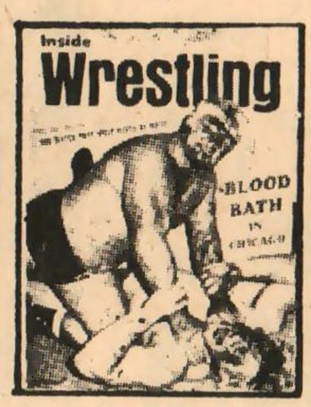

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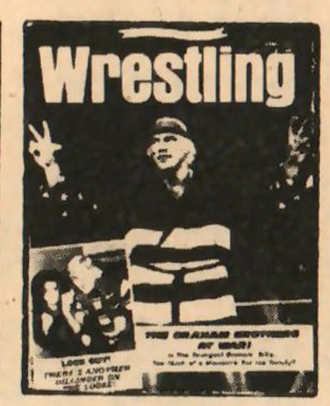

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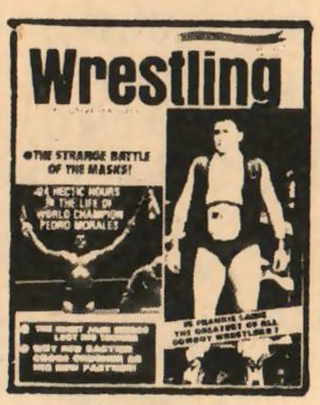

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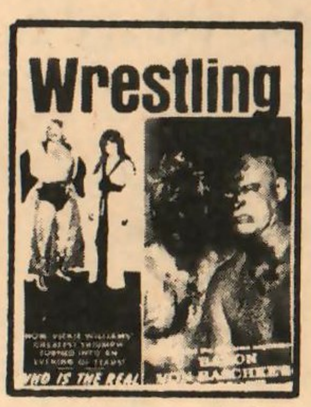

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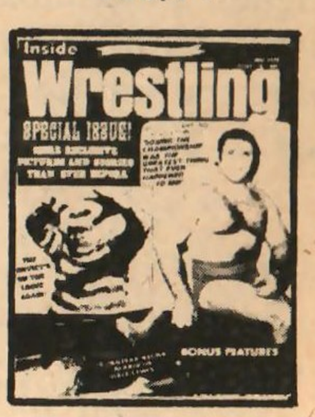

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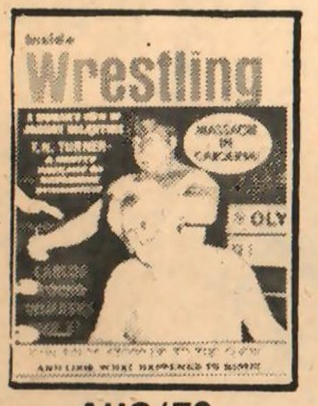

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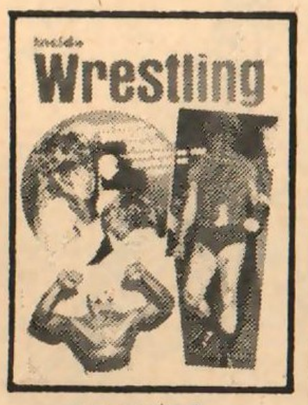

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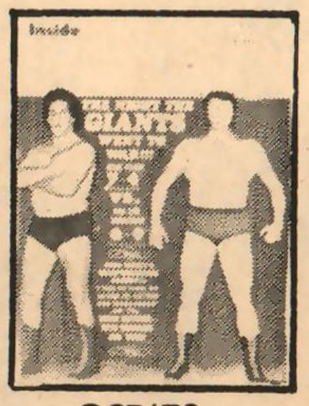

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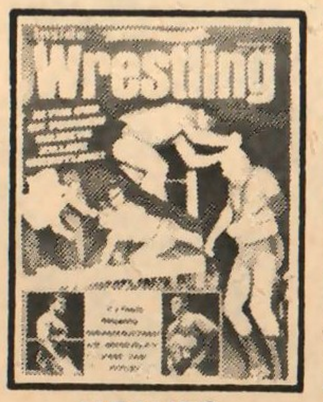

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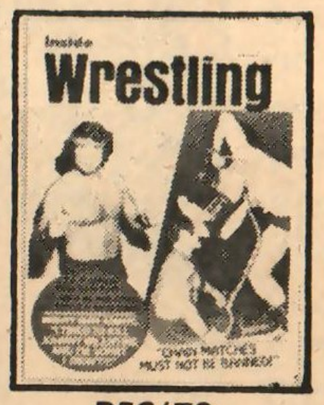

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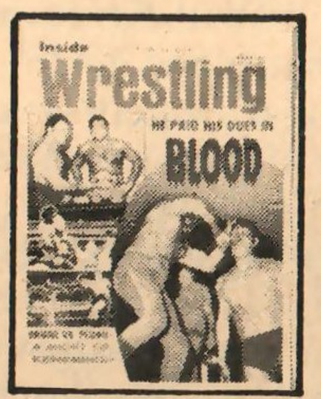

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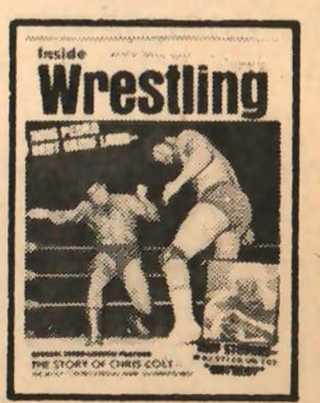

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YOUR LETTERS

STOP THE SLAUGHTER!

In the May issue of THE WRESTLER, you ran a feature story called, "Can The Slaughter Be Stopped?" I sincerely hope it can. Wow, sometimes I wonder how guys like Billy Graham, Terry Funk and others can take the punishment they receive. I also wonder how they can be so heartless to hand out the type of treatment they do. Wrestling is a sport where men are supposed to engage in combat to win a match, not kill one another. I don't know what the solution is, but the slaughter has to be stopped!

FRANCIS O' CONNOR
Wall Lake, Iowa

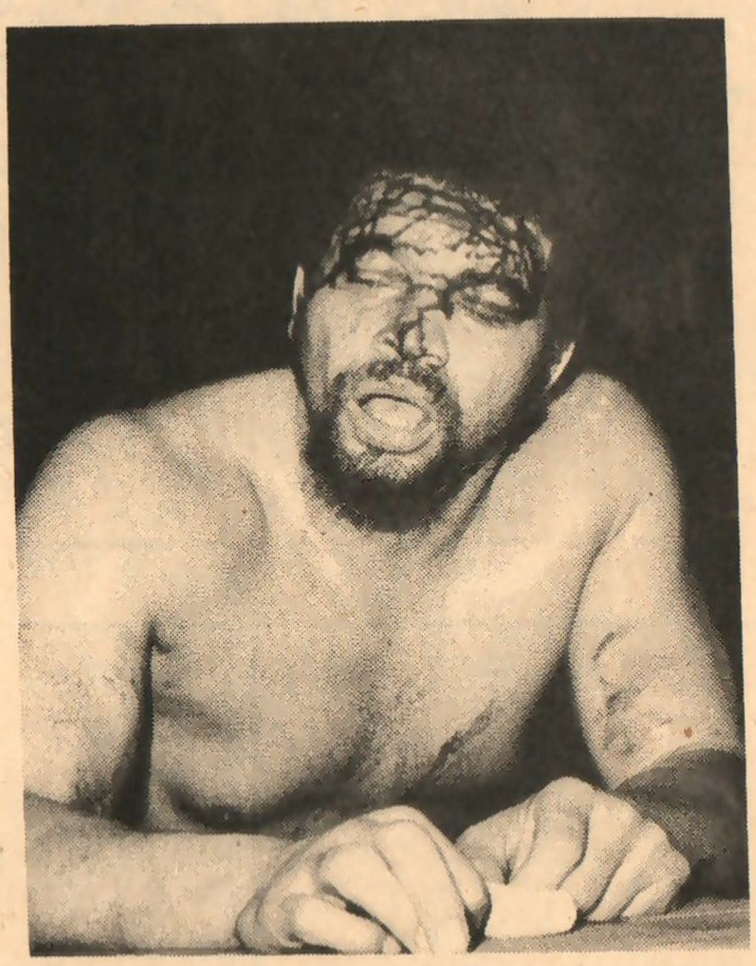
Ernie Ladd was quoted as saying "When the fans know they're going to see a bloody match—they break the doors down." Well Ernie, not me. If I know that blood might be spilled during a real heated grudge match, I'd rather sit home and read a Walt Disney book. I wouldn't pay one red cent to see two guys kill each other and it seems to me there's one of those matches on almost every card. If the slaughter isn't stopped I'll stop myself from watching the matches!

KEITH MENNA
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

I don't mind "the slaughter" as long as it's dished out to a guy like The Sheik or Cyclone Negro, two people who love to hand it out. It's good for them to get a taste of their own medicine now and then.

ED METTINA
Toronto, Ontario

If Terry Funk wants to get his head bashed in for money, as he said, he can do it. Nobody says I have to watch it. It seems to me that Terry and a lot of other wrestlers are getting too carried away recently and are making the sport one big tub of blood. I don't like this and I wish Terry would calm down a little and only wrestle in "normal" matches. I am



crazy about him and hate to see him covered with blood every time he wrestles.

BONNIE ROGERS
Amarillo, Texas

Mil Mascaras (above) revealed his sense of humor during our "Hotseat" interview. Ernie Ladd (left) got fans angry by blaming them for the increase in violence in wrestling.

Al hays, his beautiful wife and adorable children pose for this family portrait for our photog.

HAYS' HOME

Thanks for that beautiful photo story, "At Home With Lord Al Hays." It's always refreshing to see such a fine athlete have such a lovely wife and family. He seems to care for them very much and it shows in the pictures. Let's see more stories of this type in the near future. How about showing us what a champion's life is like at home? I'm talking about Dory Funk Jr.

EVERETT SLOGAN
Tampa, Florida

EDITOR'S NOTE—INSIDE WRESTLING did visit Dory at home in the March/'71 issue.

MORE MASCARAS!

I loved your feature, "Mil Mascaras—Wrestler On The Hotseat." It revealed a side of Mil I've never known, a sense of humor. He joked about the incident where he was

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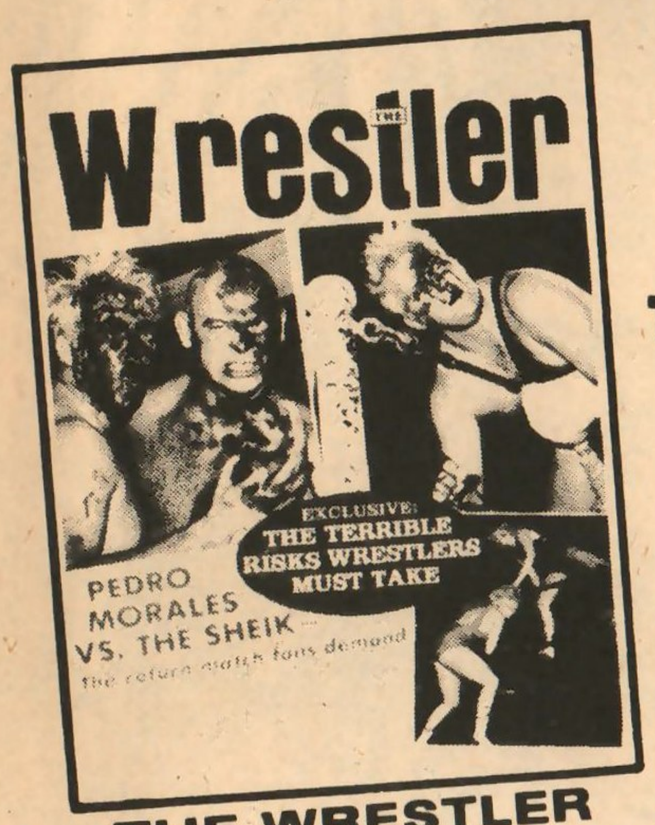

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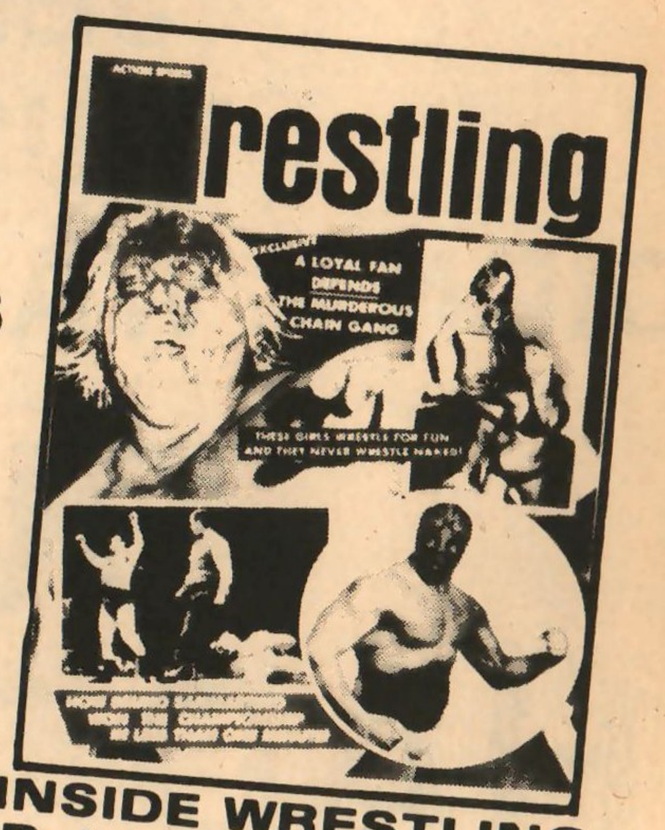
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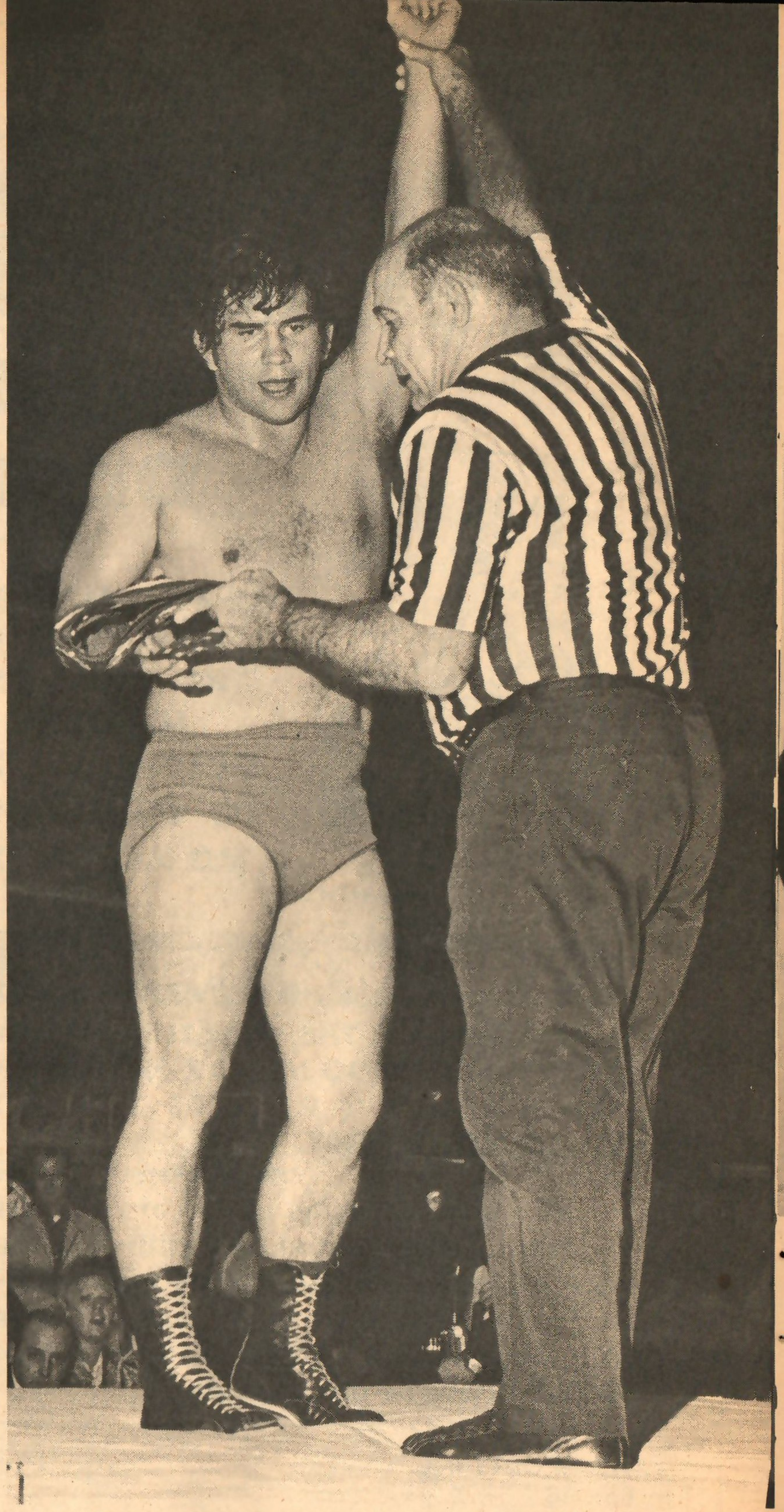
THE MATCH JERRY BRISCO DIDN'T WANT... BUT HAD TO TAKE!

You can push a mild-mannered guy like Jerry Brisco only so far. Playboy Gary Hart pushed Jerry too far. And he paid for his mistake in blood!



Referee Angelo Martinelli raises the arm of Jerry Brisco and hands him back his Eastern States Championship belt after Jerry knocked off Playboy Gary Hart in their chain match.

JERRY BRISCO HATES chains. He hates chain matches so much he vowed never to be a part of one.

"Chains go hand in hand with blood," Jerry once said. "The only way to win a chain match is to bloody your opponent into submission. And I never went for bloody wrestling.

"If a man can't win a match on his strength and ability alone—then he should get out of wrestling. Wrestlers who have to rely on cutting and slashing to win just disgust me."

That was Brisco talking. And he meant what he said.

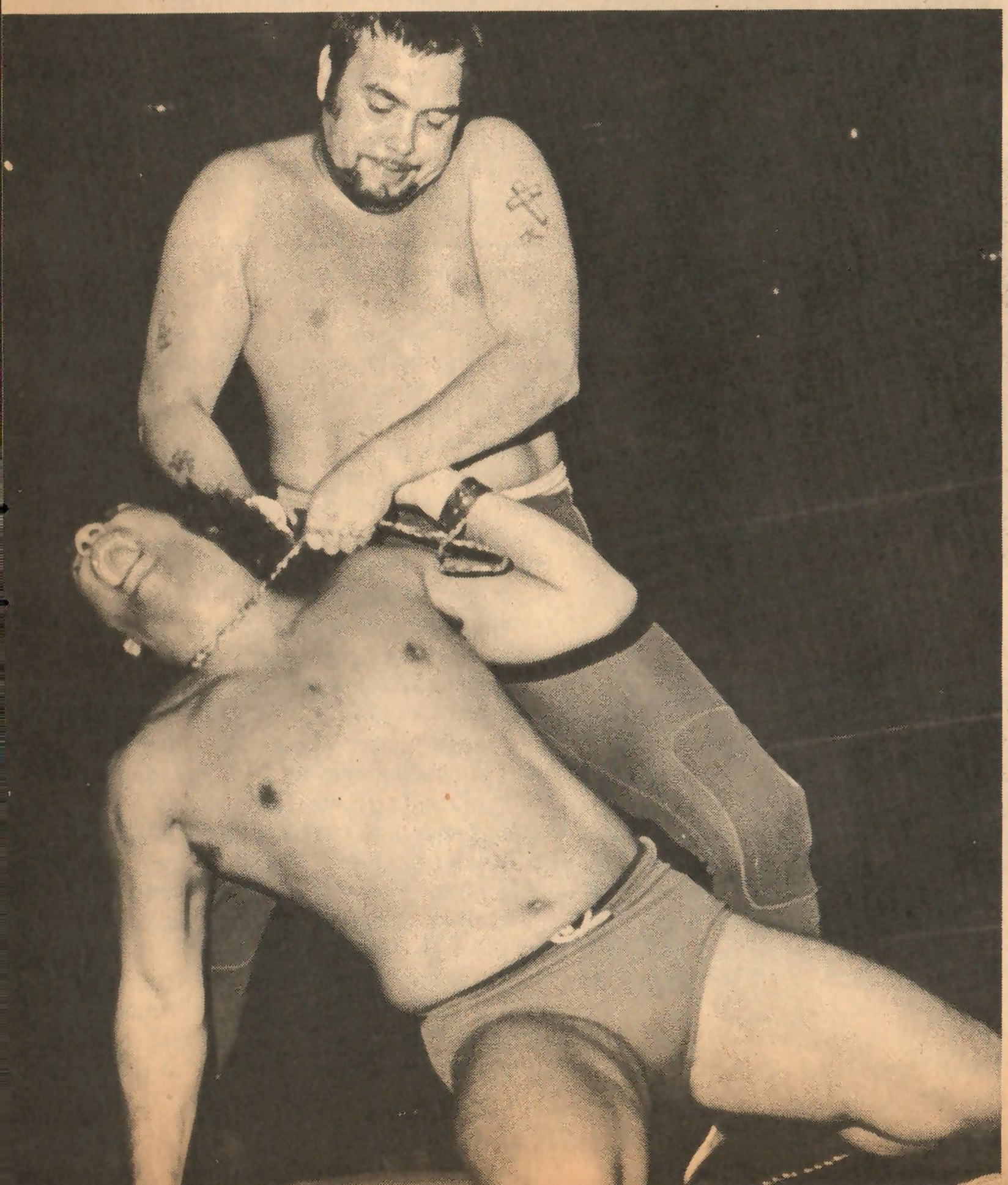
Then what was Jerry Brisco doing in the Charlotte Coliseum battling Playboy Gary Hart—in a CHAIN MATCH!?

Brisco was beating the hell out of Hart! But the reason he got there in the first place stems from a title match against Ole Anderson, a bunch of vicious rumors, and determination by Jerry to shut Hart up for good.

The whole bloody mess began when Ole Anderson challenged Brisco to a title match. Anderson hoped to grab away Jerry's Eastern States Championship.

Anderson wasn't the only one who wanted Brisco's head on a platter.

A dazed Gary Hart is on wobbly legs (left) as Rip Hawk helps him back to the dressing room. Note the blood (Hart's) staining Hawk's white shirt.



Jerry drives his foot into the chest of Hart (above), who's sprawled on his back. But Gary recovers in time to wrap the chain (left) around Brisco's throat.

Playboy Gary's mouth was just dripping water from the thought of a shot at the title. But Hart couldn't get it.

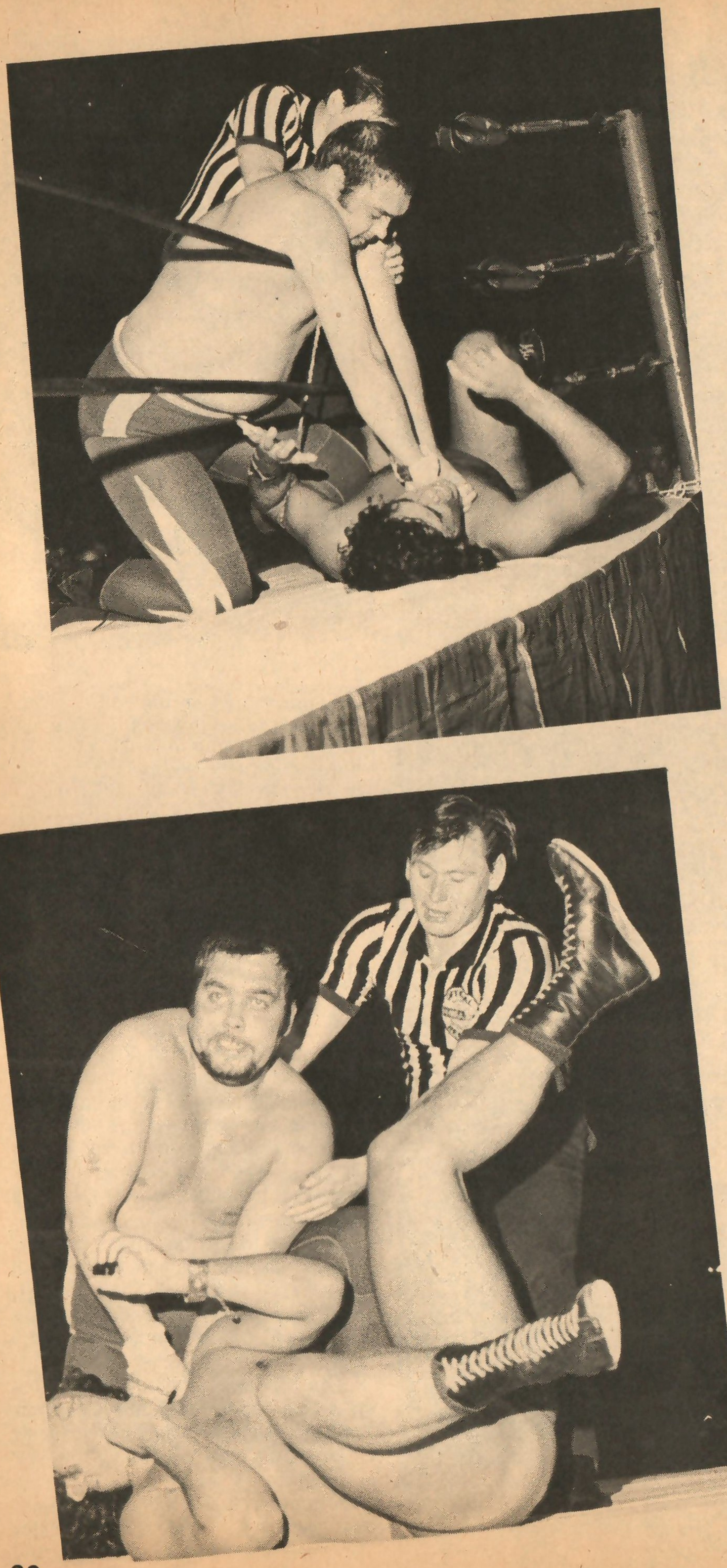
It was Anderson versus Brisco. And as far as Jerry was concerned it was going to be a good clean match. Brisco showed Ole and the fans you don't have to use foreign objects, kicks to the groin, or eye gouges to overpower the other guy.

Ole was getting slaughtered. He was on the receiving end of several severe dropkicks, toeholds and one exhausting abdominal stretch.

It looked like it was all over for Ole. That is—until Hart got into the fray. Still angry over that title shot he didn't get, Hart leaped from his seat to Ole's defense. And he brought a chain with him.

Jerry had vowed never to even get close to a chain match. But this chain was getting close to him. Hart was wrapping it around his neck and pulling it tighter and tighter.

Brisco was dazed. He didn't know what was going on now. And he was easy prey for Anderson's headlocks, dropkicks, and



punches. Anderson had this match all wrapped up.

But the referee disqualified Anderson because of interference by Hart. So Brisco retained the title.

But the match did something else to Jerry. It got him angry—angrier than Brisco ever remembers getting. Jerry hates chains. But he discovered even more that he hates a chain around his neck. And he hated Hart for what he did.

Jerry was also angry about rumors that starting circulating...rumors apparently started by Hart and his pal Rip Hawk. The stories starting going around that Brisco never entered chain matches for one big reason—he was scared to death of them!

"That's absolutely false," Jerry replied angrily. "I'm not afraid of any wrestler in any kind of match. I just find chain matches disgusting. I don't need to cut my opponent to win. My strength is enough."

But the rumors continued, and Brisco was getting angrier by the minute. Then Jerry dropped the bombshell.

"I'll meet Hart in the ring. He'll get a chance at my title. But only on one

Brisco's all wrapped up on the ring apron (above, left). When warned by the referee, Hart brings Jerry back into the ring (left, below), but he keeps the chain wrapped around him.

condition. Only if it's a chain match!"

Had Jerry gone mad? Had the rumors and Hart's interference got him so angry he was going to go against his own convictions and wrestle with chains?

"I'm saying what I mean," said Brisco. "Hart likes chains. He'll get chains!"

Just before the match was ready to begin Hart levelled with newsmen.

"I tricked him," said Hart. "I tricked that stupid Brisco into his own funeral. I got him so mad over that little chain-strangling incident and so fired up by some harmless little stories that he's become crazy enough to face me with my favorite weapon.

"Those rumors really got to Brisco. He's such a vain guy after all. You know that old kid's rhyme about 'sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never harm me.' Well Brisco got so angry over a few words that he's setting himself up to have his bones broken. All of them! By my chains! The jerk!"

Gary may have thought he tricked Brisco. But he didn't know one thing. Jerry wasn't going into this match completely inexperienced in the use of

chains. For Jerry had been in training under a master teacher of chain wrestling—Boris Malenko. Chain-man Boris was giving him regular work-outs and some really valuable tips.

The crowd was almost silent as it watched the chain being attached to the two wrestlers in the Charlotte arena. It didn't know what to expect. Some were afraid to think of what would happen to Brisco—especially when Gary wrapped the chain around Jerry's neck and at one point tried to choke him with it.

But Jerry got Hart back in spades.

He knocked him flat on his back and pulled his end of the chain high above his head. Gary was being pulled up from the canvas while being knocked down by Brisco's foot. Hart didn't know whether he was coming or going.

By the time the match was over Hart was a bloody mess. There were deep gashes in his forehead. Gary had expected to see blood flow in this match—but not his!

Rip Hawk rushed in to help Gary to his dressing room and then to a waiting ambulance. Hart needed help. He was bleeding so badly his blood was staining

Chains are fastened to the wrists of Jerry and Gary (above, right) before the bloody match. At the end, Hart's eyes (below, right) are open, but they stare blankly.

Hawk's freshly pressed white shirt.

The referee held Jerry's hand high in the air. In Jerry's other hand was the championship belt. He had retained it and was unmarked for his efforts.

Jerry Brisco had retained his championship in a battle against Gary Hart. And most remarkable of all he did in a battle with chains, the same chains he hates so much.

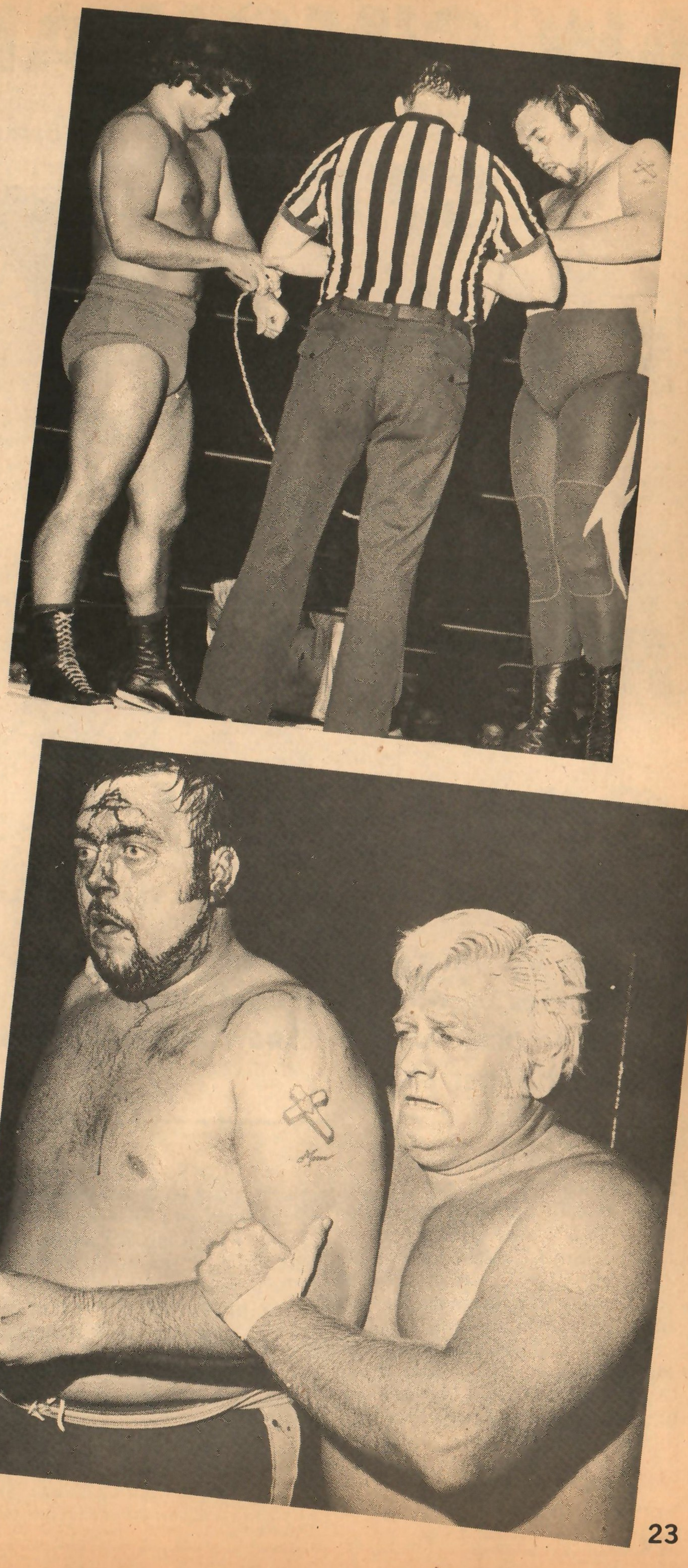
It was a violent match, so violent that two referees were needed. One had to keep constant guard to prevent another incident like in the Anderson-Brisco match. They didn't want it becoming two against one with Brisco being the one.

Hart, who was proud of the "trick" he played on Jerry in getting him to the chain match, wasn't saying anything to reporters after it was over.

But Brisco was talking.

"I knew about their trick," Jerry said. "I don't like chains, but I had to beat this guy at his own game. I had to shut him up once and for all."

And maybe Jerry did just that. For the only thing coming from Hart's mouth was blood. □



AW C'MON ALREADY STOP PICKIN' ON RIPPER COLLINS!

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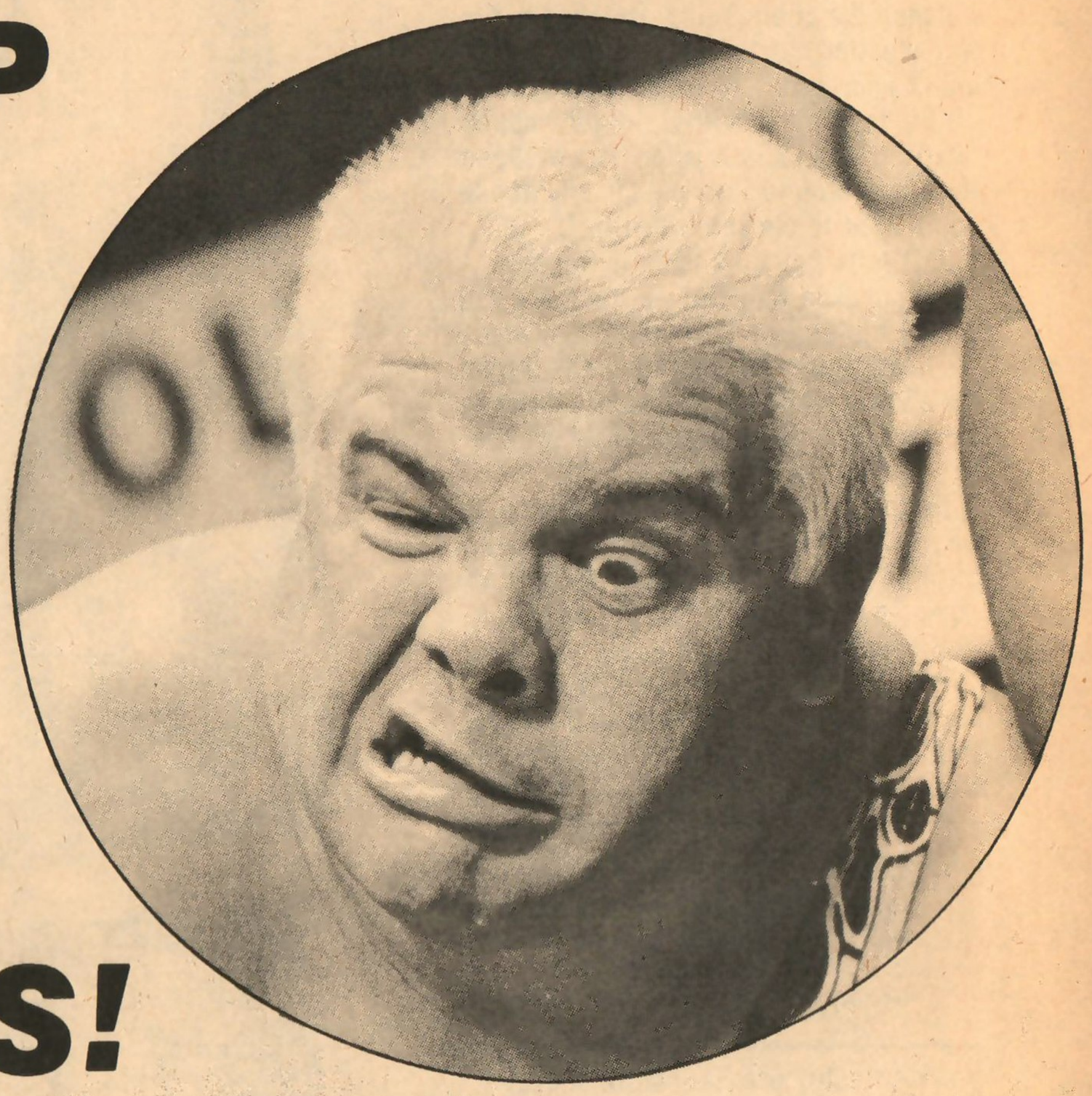

Oh oh. They're pickin' on Ripper Collins again. Even when he comes up with a foolproof plan to get revenge—they're puttin' it to him. But if we know Ripper—he'll be back with a bigger and better plan

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RIPPER COLLINS WAS out for revenge.

He wanted the tag team of Raul Mata and David Morgan to be beaten—and beaten badly. He wanted it done anyway it had to be done. And that included having another tag team do it for him.

Ripper Collins wanted the team of The Destroyer and Gordon Nelson to do it for him. And he was going to guide their every step.

Ripper would be their manager.

"I've gotten together a team...a team that is the most vicious team ever in the history of wrestling. It's a team that's got teeth. Good, long, hard, sharp teeth. And teeth that will rip Mata and Morgan to shreds. They'll need canes to get into the ring after my boys are through with them."

Ripper Collins evidently was angry. But why was he so angry with Mata and Morgan?

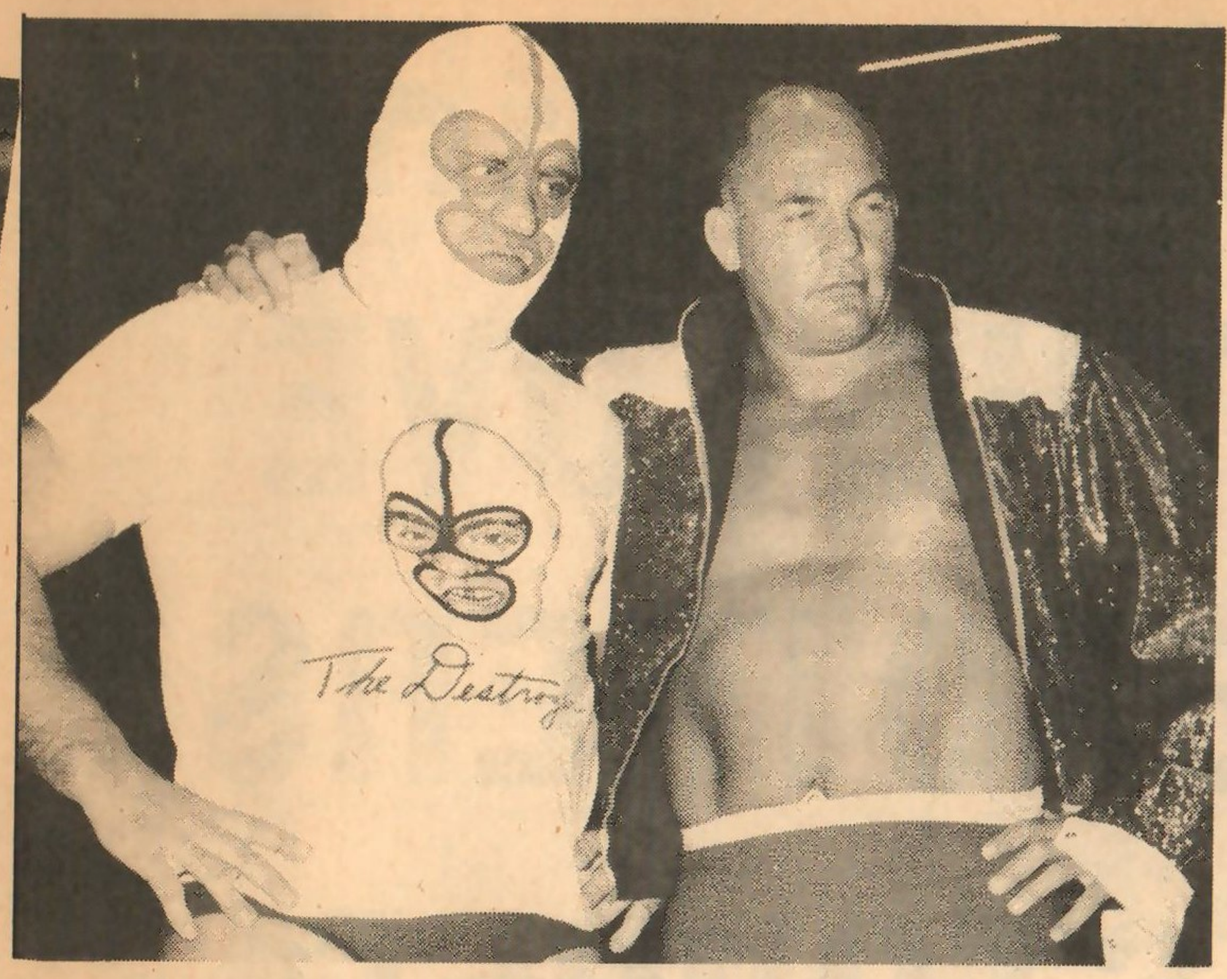
"Because I hate 'em," said Collins. "Because I hate 'em so bad it leaves a lousy taste in my mouth. Because they're incompetent. And they're favorites of all the referees. And I hate favorites with a passion!"

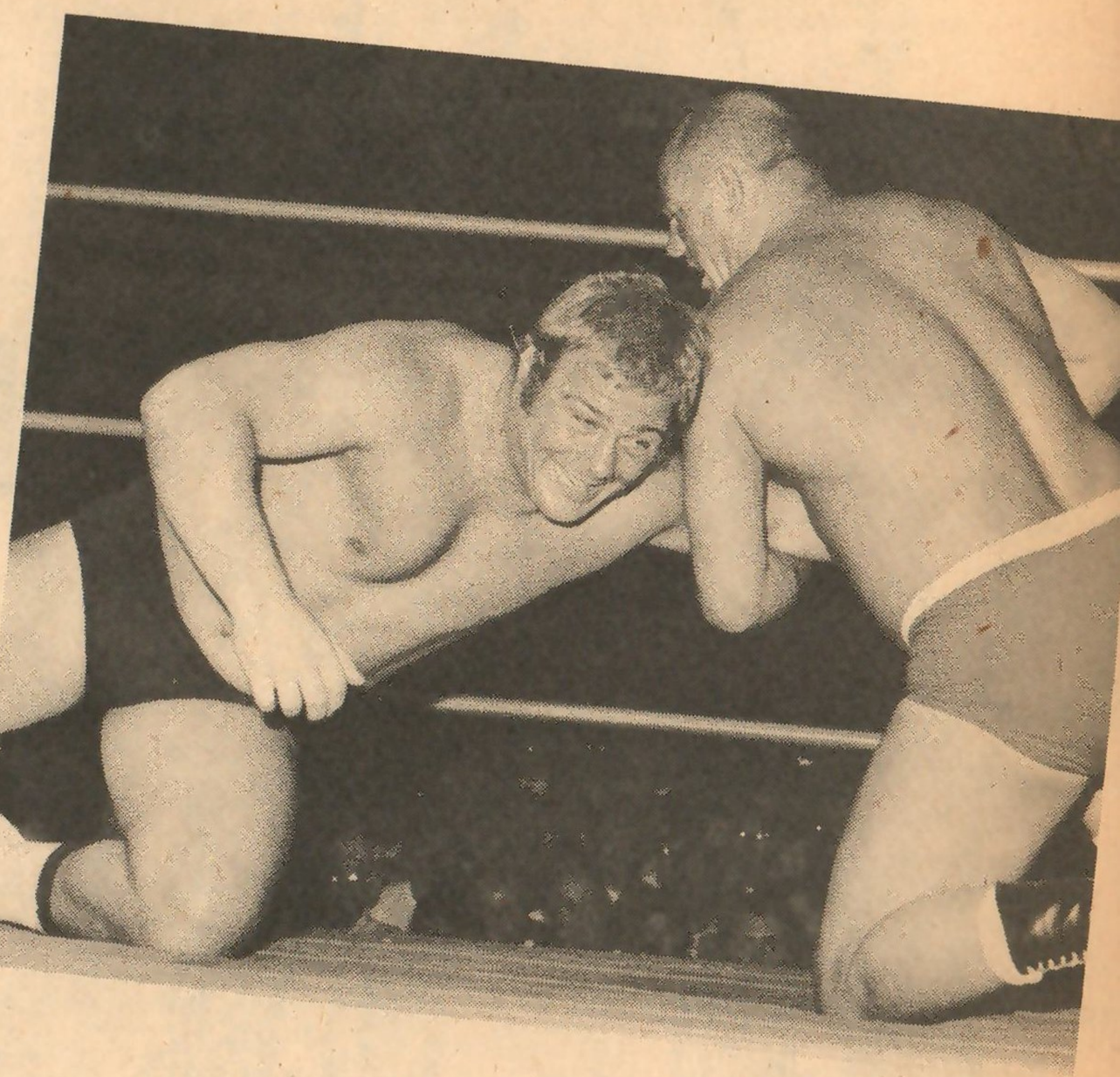
But there are other reasons behind those that Ripper gave. They have to do with the many times he's faced Mata and Morgan individually and the many times they emerged as victors from those matches.

"They didn't deserve to win," Ripper had screamed in the past. "If they really deserved to win I wouldn't complain. I'd admit they are good wrestlers. But they aren't!

"You know how many times they'd foul me when the referees weren't looking? You know how many times they'd play those dirty tricks? Tricks that would throw me off balance and get me all upset.

The team that Ripper Collins said has "hard, sharp teeth" (left) gets ready to rip apart Mata and Morgan. The Gordon Nelson half of it (below) tries to break David Morgan's arm.





They'd mess me up that way, illegally, and then they'd walk off as the winners.

"And you know something else? Even when they wouldn't foul me and I'd have a chance to prove how great I really am—even then—do you know what would happen? They'd reverse the decision on me! They'd never let me win even when I won!

"I'm sick and tired of wrestling those bums. I'm sick and tired of looking at them. And I'm gonna make sure they get sick and tired. Sick and tired in some hospital beds!

"Huh?" He gave an insane laugh. "Huh? How does that sound? Sick and tired in hospital beds. Ha! Broken bones! Heh! Broken heads! Heh! Heh!"

So Ripper was all set to get his revenge. And he decided he'd even lay off wrestling and become a manager to do it.

He'd search the ends of the earth to get the men required to do it. But he didn't have to go that far.

First there is Destroyer, the masked villain feared by many, and a close friend of Ripper's.

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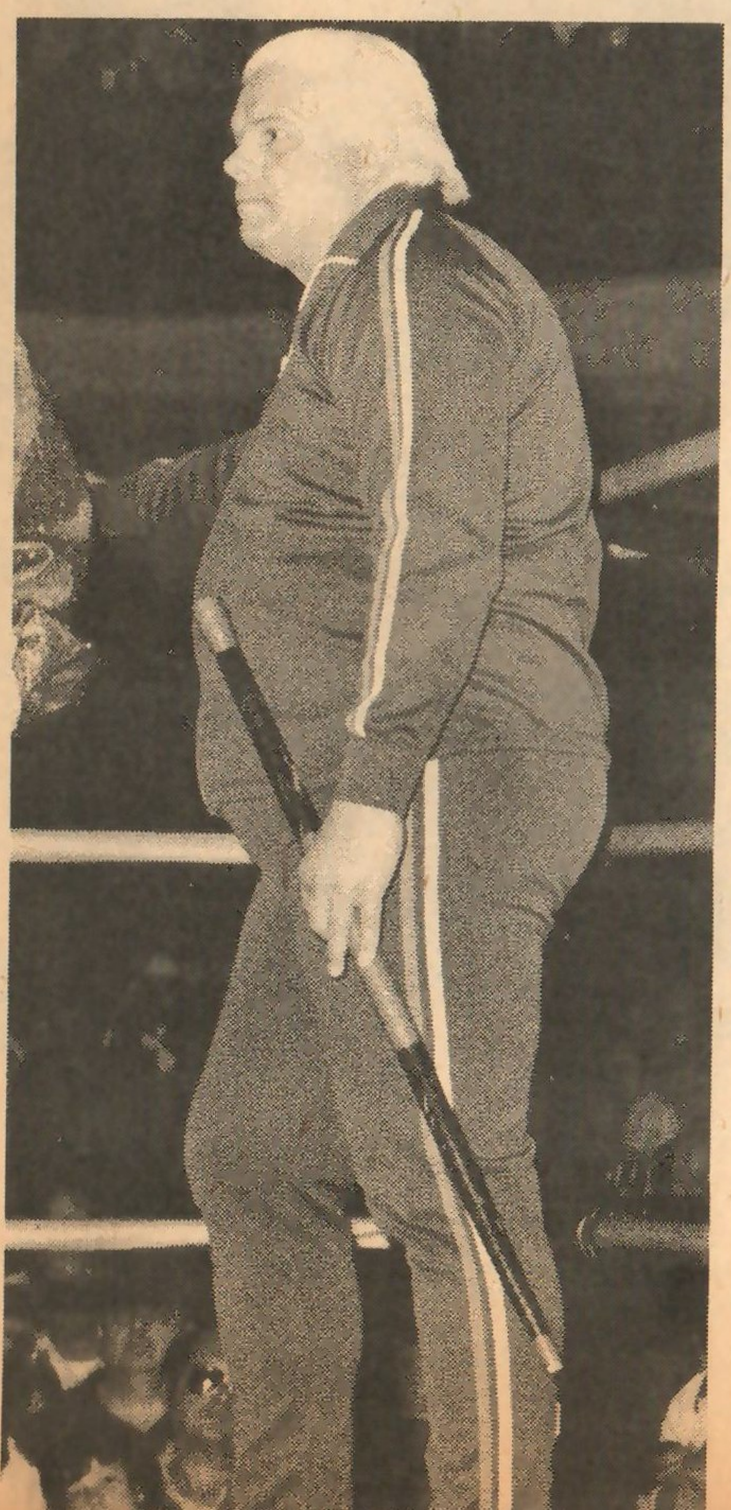

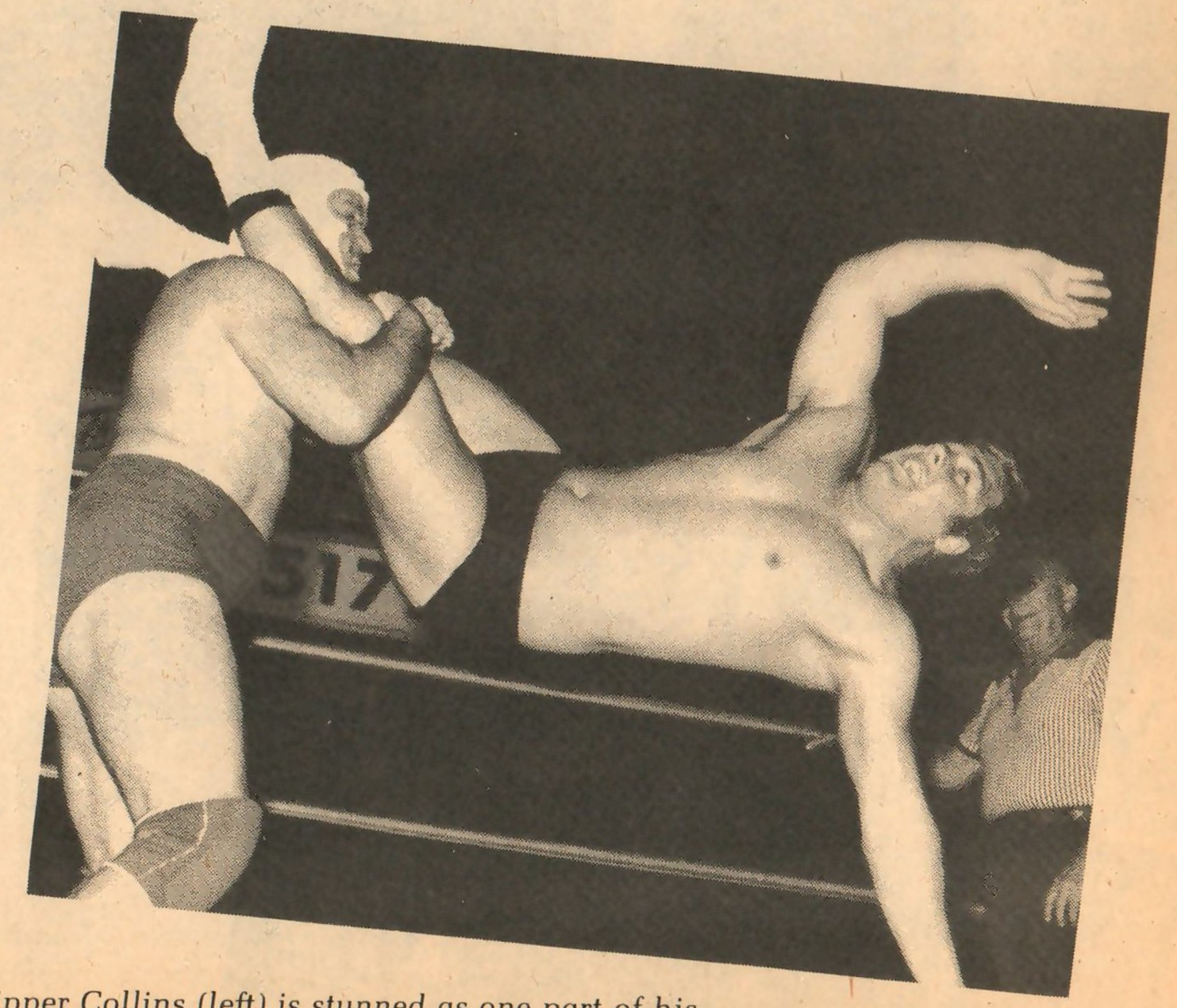

Ripper Collins (left) is stunned as one part of his super-team, The Destroyer (above), gets choked by David Morgan's breath-taking flying head scissors.

THE NIGHT THE LOVE BROTHERS STOPPED SMILING

Exclusive Photos By Tony Lanza

Dennis Gauthier (above) Johnny-on-the-Pony's off Raymond Rougeau and is about to send Reginald Love crashing to the canvas. The Love brothers said Gauthier and Rougeau (left) are "just two wrestlers."

IT WAS THE night the Love brothers stopped smiling.

Not a smile, not a laugh, not a grin emerged from the usually self-confident faces of Reginald and Hartford Love.

Gone were the smiles of complete confidence. Gone were the smiles showing how in love they are with themselves. Gone were their sadistic grins.

The Love brothers were hurt. They were unhappy. They seemed to lack their ever-present feeling of complete self-confidence.

"We have perfect minds," they would always say. "We have perfect bodies," they'd add. "We're the best looking wrestlers in the world," they'd boast.

"We" is the word always present in their conversation. The Love brothers feel "we" and "only we" are "the two best damn wrestlers around." There is no other tag team worth mentioning, they feel.

What was it, therefore, that caused not even a "wee" smile to show itself on the faces of these two supremely confident brothers?

It must have had something to do with what happened during the Montreal match against Denis Gauthier and Raymond Rougeau. The Love brothers smiled as usual before the match. They displayed their usual don't-give-a-damn attitude.

"These guys, Gauthier and Rougeau, are just two wrestlers," Reginald had said earlier. "Two wrestlers no different from any wrestlers we've seen or expect to see."

But many fans feel the team of Gauthier and Rougeau is something very special.

"Special?" Reginald laughed. "Special? The only thing I recognize as 'special' is something marked down in the supermarket.

"And maybe those fans are right. Just like a cheap piece of meat in the supermarket these guys may both be 'special.' When we're through with them, they'll look like some ground up meat anyway. Or at least they'll feel like it. We don't make exceptions about any wrestlers. When we're through with them, they're all hamburger!"

It's not easy to shake the cocky confidence of the Love brothers. But Dennis Gauthier and Raymond Rougeau did just that. And all they had to do was step through the ropes!

Dennis Gauthier socks it to Reginald Love, who isn't smiling from the punch. Reginald and brother Hartford find this isn't their night to smile, grin or laugh. Though they claim they are "the two best damn wrestlers around" they weren't feeling their damn best, especially after realizing what happened to their fans.

Evidently, Reginald Love and brother Hartford didn't think Gauthier and Rougeau were anything special. In fact they didn't think very much of them at all.

But what were the Love brothers facing? A team that some experts felt was less experienced, but still very formidable.

Denis Gauthier has a tough and handsome body topped by some brilliant, sand-colored hair. He's a man who once was chosen Mr. Canada.

Raymond Rougeau is young. He just graduated from high school, but was a wrestler throughout his school years.

"They're nobody," is the way the Love brothers summed them up.

The Love brothers are proud of the way they wrestle and the way they look. They pride themselves on being the original hippie wrestlers with their beards, their patterned wrestling pants, their beads, and their attitudes. They are free—free from convention, free from establishment rules. In fact, they make it a point to be free from all rules.

"The kids love us," Hartford maintains. "They really dig us. And why shouldn't they?

"We're without doubt the grooviest wrestlers ever. We're in. We're really in. And we know how to sock it to the conventionalists, the establishment.

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An Open Letter From... KILLER BROOKS

This picture (above) sparked the controversy. Is Killer Brooks hiding under the ring or is he, as he claims, looking for a lucky charm he dropped? Brooks and his manager Eddie Creachman (left) were irate about the article's charging that Brooks was hiding.

WHY ARE YOU people trying to disgrace and discredit me?

What did I ever do to you people to make you print the garbage you printed in the May issue of THE WRESTLER?

You usually call me vicious whenever you do a story on me. You never fail to point out that I'm "after blood" and I use "Illegal tactics."

According to Killer Brooks, the story we printed about him in the May issue of THE WRESTLER was "garbage." To give our readers both sides of the story, we are printing Killer's letter without any changes. We'll leave it up to you to decide whether or not we were unfair to Brooks

By KILLER BROOKS

Well if I'm vicious—I don't know what to call you guys!

You're the ones who're out for blood—mine!

What do you have against me? In a magazine read by thousands of wrestling fans—most of them fans of mine—you publicly call me a "coward" and accuse me of hiding under the ring, implying I'm afraid of Tony Marino.

If you really think I'm a coward and was hiding under the ring before my match against Phony Tony Marino—I invite your lamebrained editor to meet me under that ring. He'll see how much of a coward I am—in the ring, under it, over it, or out of it!

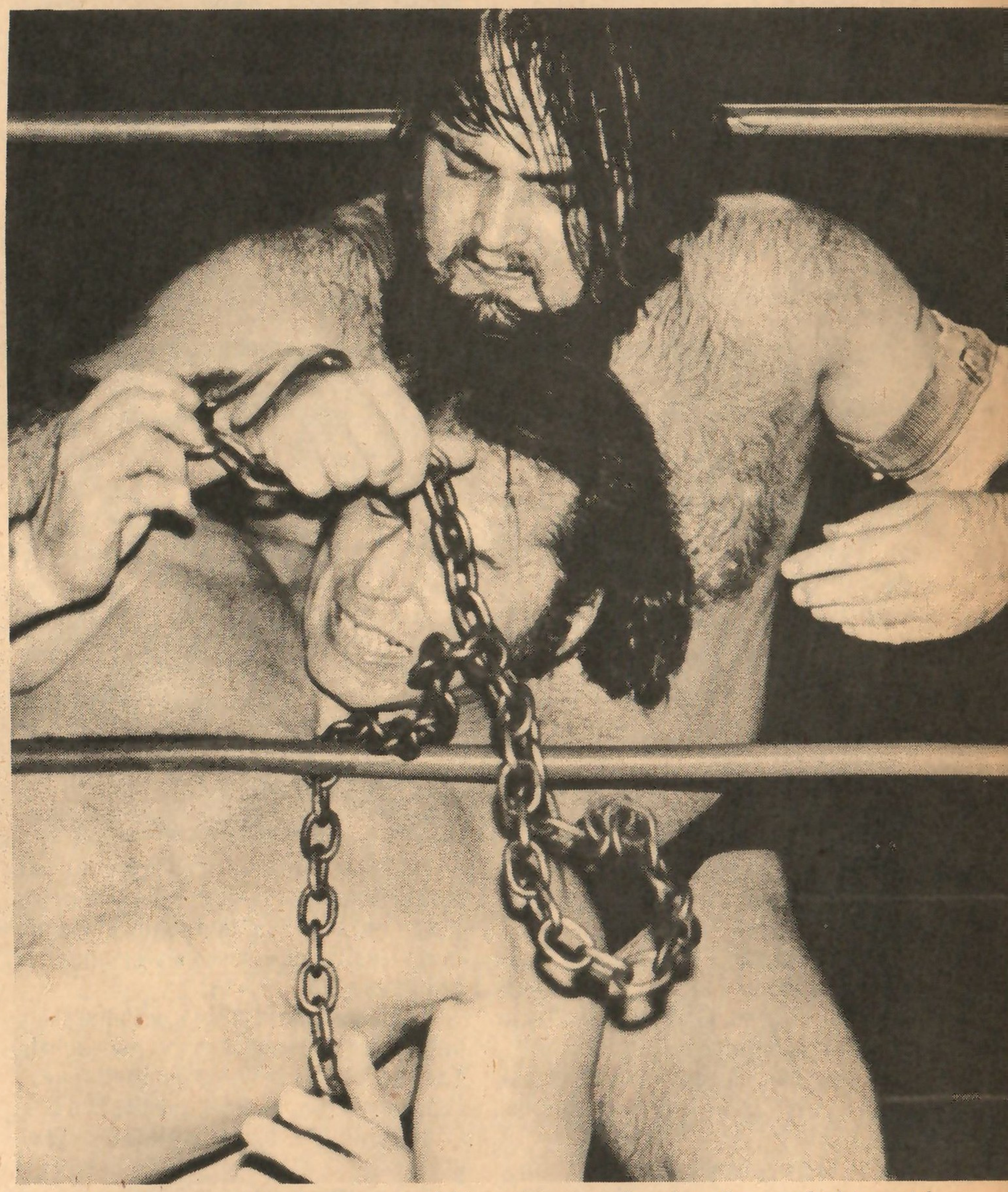
But that wouldn't show you guys anything. You'd probably only turn it around and use it to prove that Killer Brooks is really nothing but a vicious animal out to tear everyone—even four-eyed pencil pushers—apart.

No. You don't get Killer Brooks into that trap! I won't show you just what you'd love me to show you. I'm not gonna give you material for another story where you could say I'm a coward who attacks helpless reporters.

No. I won't do that. In fact, in some ways I can't really hold your photographer Sandy Lazarowicz responsible. It's obvious that either he wasn't given the real facts of what happened or his story was changed by your editors who tried to sensationalize what happened.

As a matter of fact, I have a good hunch where Lazarowicz got his information. I saw him talking to Marino's advisor, Psycho, that night in the Cleveland Arena.

Now if you guys want to get your information from Psycho—you might as well go to any state mental institution the next time you want to write a story. If anything, I'm disappointed that a magazine of your stature could be so stupid to go to a source like Psycho for information.



Brooks wraps the chain around Tony Marino's head and pounds him with it until Tony's head begins to bleed. Brooks insists the match would not have ended in a "double knockout" if he hadn't lost his charm.

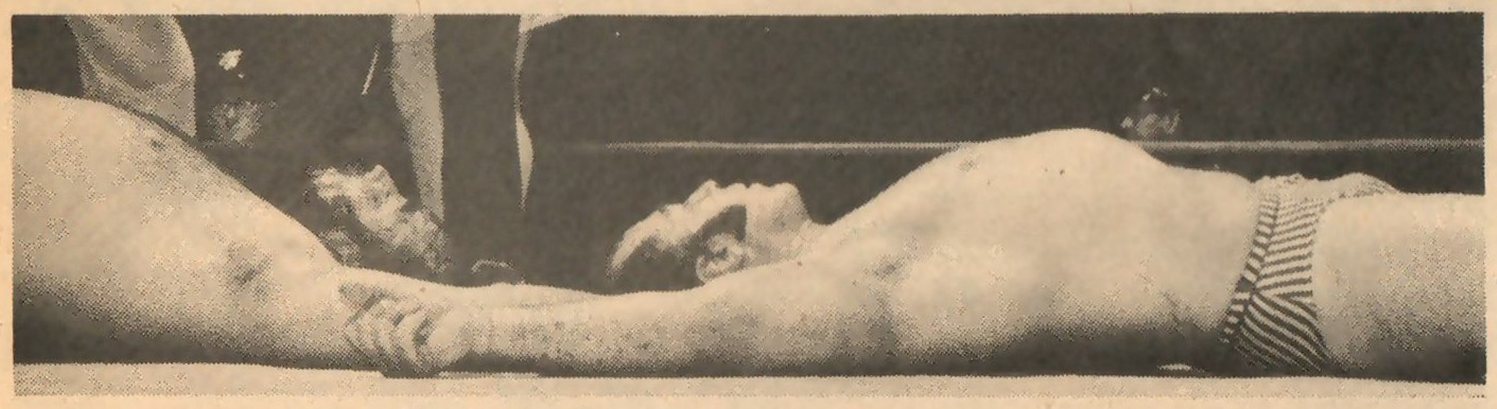
To give Lazarowicz or whoever wrote that mess credit, he did interview my manager, Eddie Creachman, to find out why I was under the ring. Because Eddie didn't know, he merely told your reporter that it was "strategy."

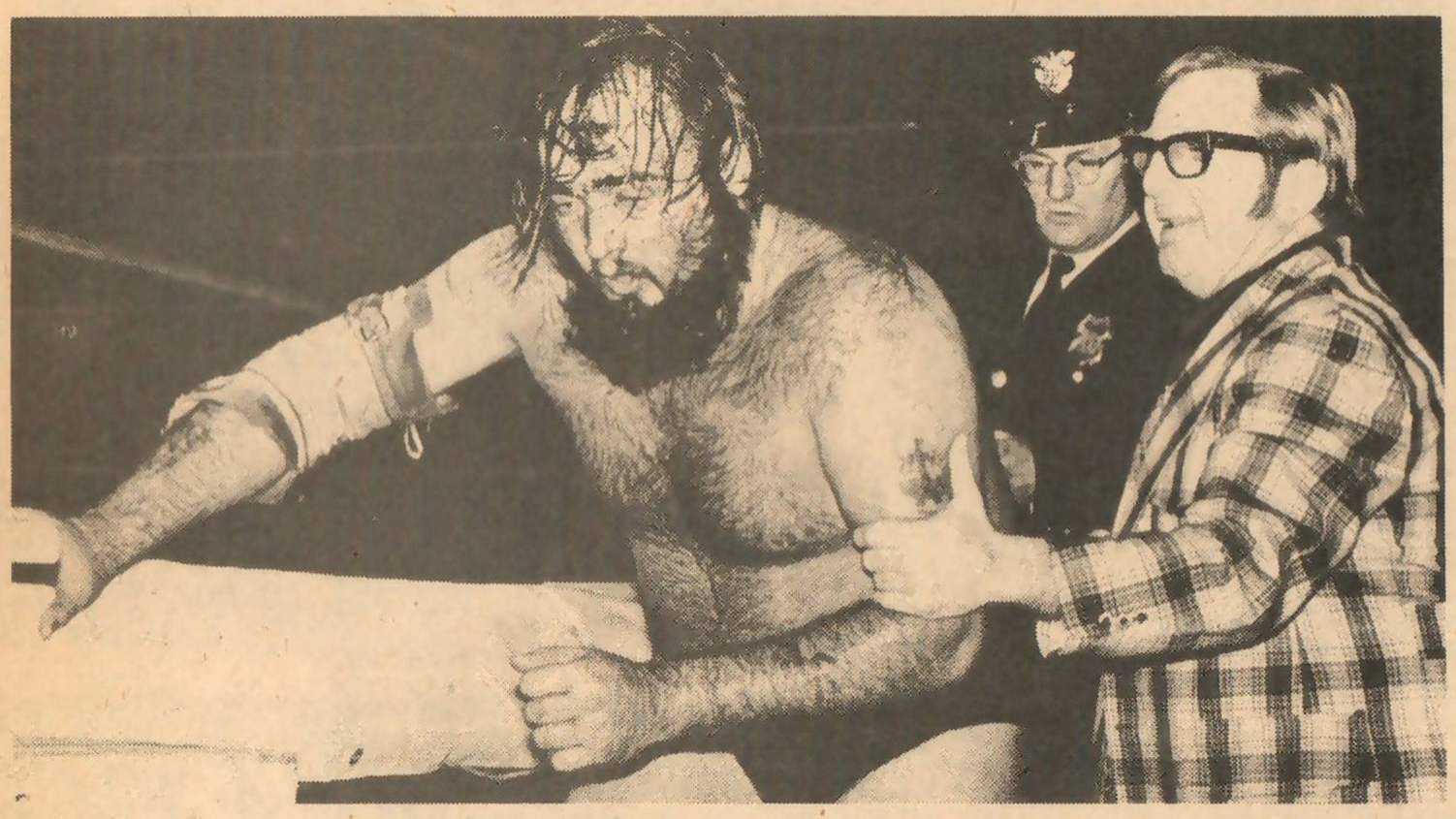
And I don't even blame you guys for not buying that excuse. After all—you can't blame Eddie for protecting his own man, could you?

The damn truth is that I WAS NOT "hiding" under the ring as you stated. I am not a coward. I did not panic, as you implied, because Phony Tony was waiting for me in the ring swinging that chain around his head.

There's not one word of truth in those

There may be some controversy about whether Brooks was hiding or not, but not about how the match ended. Right: Marino and Brooks hammer each other with the chain. Below: They knock each other out. Bottom: Brooks is helped back to his dressing room.





allegations!

The simple truth is that I was under the ring because I'd lost something. Simple, isn't it. Probably too simple for your sensation-seeking minds to understand. I wasn't hiding from someone—I was looking for something.

And because nobody bothered to ask me—I wind up being branded a "coward."

Now I know you guys don't like me. You don't like my beard, my smelly cigar or my jacket with the skull and crossbones insignia. Even though I've always cooperated with you—I've been given a very bad press.

Well I'm not asking you to like me, my beard, my cigar, my jacket, my ring tactics or anything else. You don't have to like any of those things. But some of those things mean a lot to me. And I don't mean because I like them. They help me.

I'm superstitious. I'm sure you'll twist this around to make it sound like I'm crazy, but the thing that really helps me is my skull and crossbones emblem. It brings me luck.

You're familiar, I'm sure, with the skull and crossbones emblem on my jacket. You've probably seen it a hundred times. But the one you've never seen is the one I carry into the ring with me—my lucky charm.

It's a little jobber, maybe no bigger than an inch all the way around. It only weighs an ounce or two. It was carved from a human bone by primitive Indians in South America. It was given to my great grandfather, who was an honest-to-goodness pirate. As you know, the skull and crossbones is a pirate insignia. My great grandfather traded with those natives and they had a carver carve the figure from the insignia they spotted on the flag of my great grandfather's ship.

A family legend says it gives the wearer special powers. I never believed it much, but I noticed that whenever I didn't take it into the ring before a match I'd wind up in trouble. I came to believe that while it might not have any magical power—it does do something, even if used only as a good luck charm.

I always take this charm into the ring with me and hand it to Eddie Creachman just before the bell rings. But this time, as I handed it to him, it slipped out of my hand and rolled under the ring. Maybe it was accidentally kicked under. I don't know. But I did know I had to find it.

When something is that valuable—you stop what you're doing and look for it. Wouldn't you do the same thing if your wife lost a piece of jewelry or you lost a contact lens?

I was looking and Marino, who by that time had made his grand entrance, was getting impatient and swinging the chain around his head. This is the exact moment your photographer Lazarowicz chose to snap that picture which you said was a picture of me "hiding from Marino."

Lazarowicz crawled underneath the ring and probably got his clothes all dirty to take that shot. He was doing his job. It was a good picture. But he didn't have the slightest idea of what I was doing down there!

So as a result I am branded as a "coward." Because I searched for something which means a great deal to me—you try to make a fool of me. But I understand. How many magazines would you sell if you said Killer Brooks is a nice guy and he was under the ring because he'd lost something?

By the way. If you think the outcome of the match didn't have anything to do with the loss of my charm, you are fooling yourselves. I know that if I wasn't worried about that thing it would never have ended with me and Phony Tony knocking each other out. If I had my charm I would-'ve been on my feet watching Marino lapse into unconsciousness.

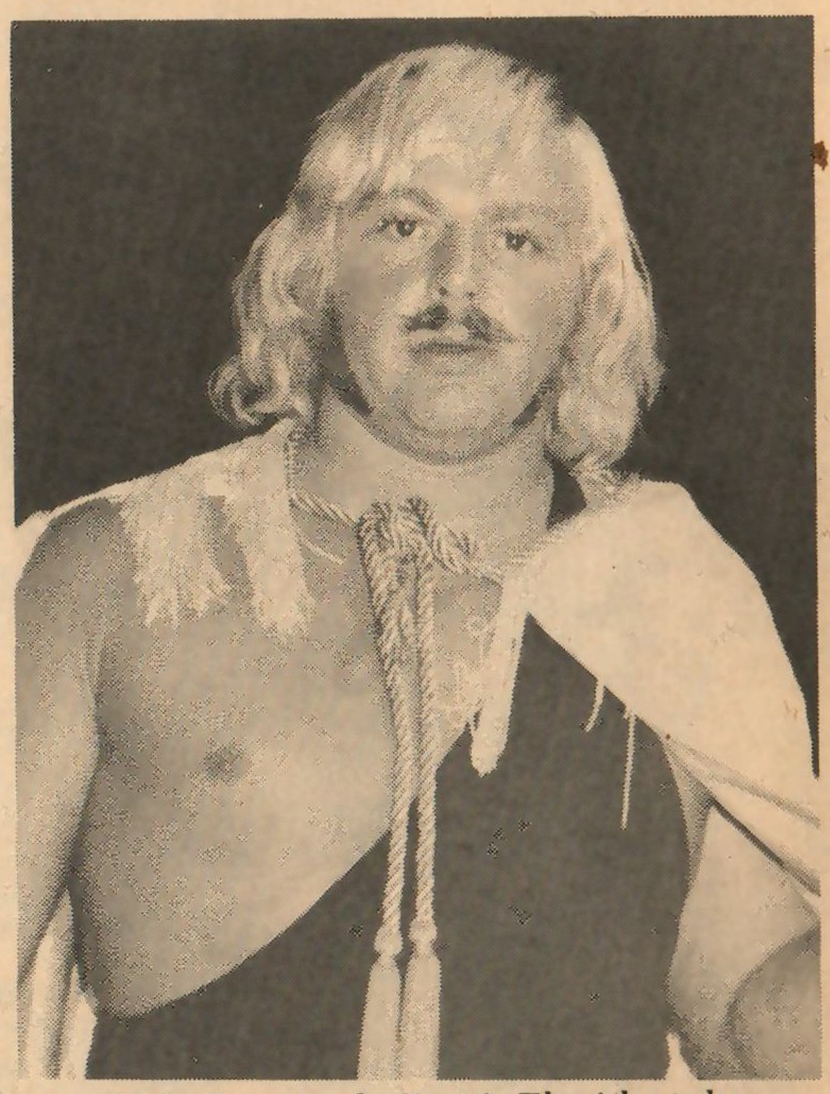
I'm sure you'll be happy to know that I did get my charm back. One of the janitors found it under the ring when he was sweeping up after the matches were over. He brought it to the promoter who gave it to me.

And that's the true story of how I wound up under the ring.

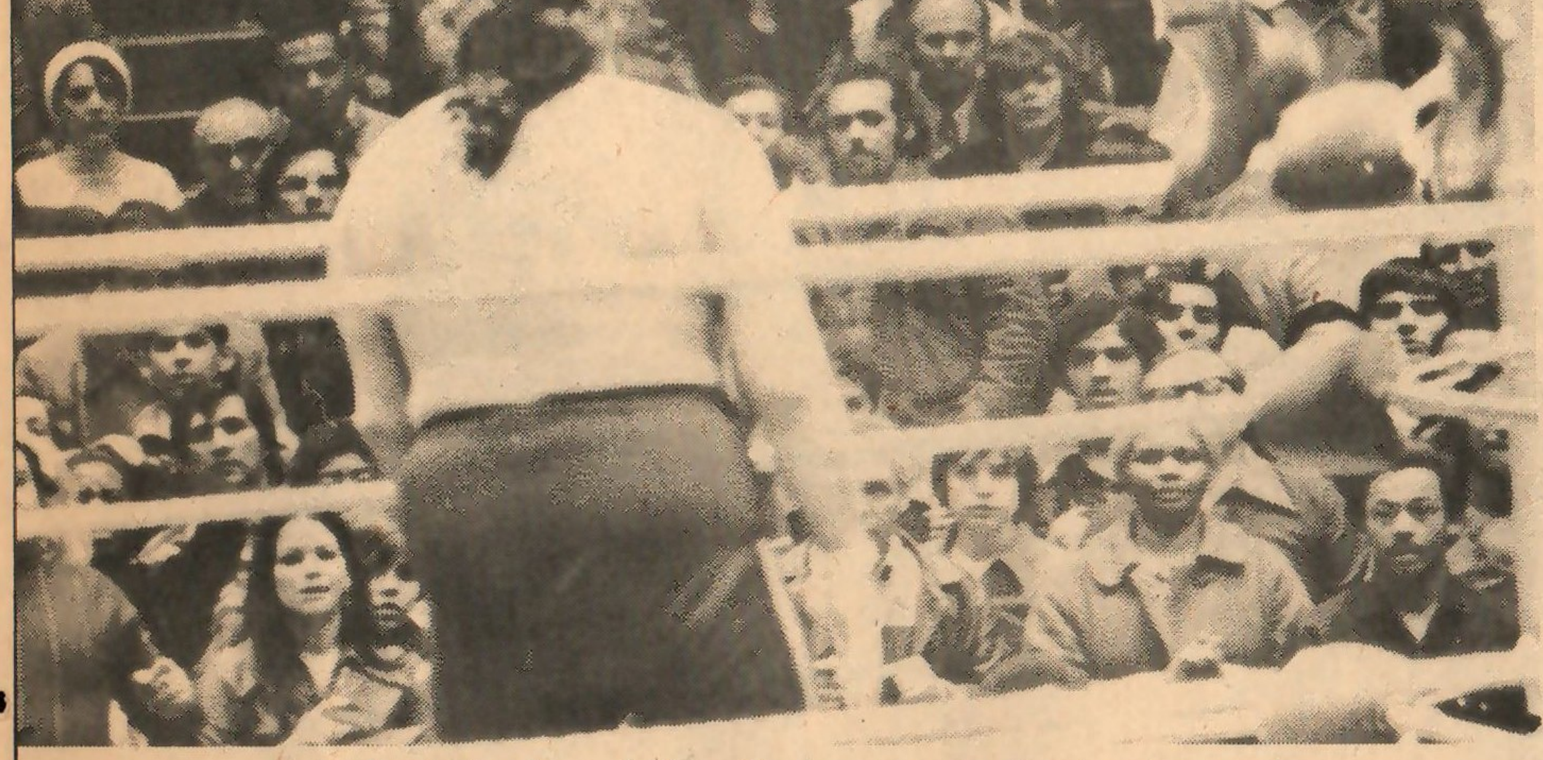
In the future, I might suggest you check with the person involved for the real facts of what happened before you label him a "coward." It's things like that which can spoil a man's excellent reputation—like you tried to spoil mine! □

HERE ARE THE WINNERS OF OUR PICTURE CONTEST

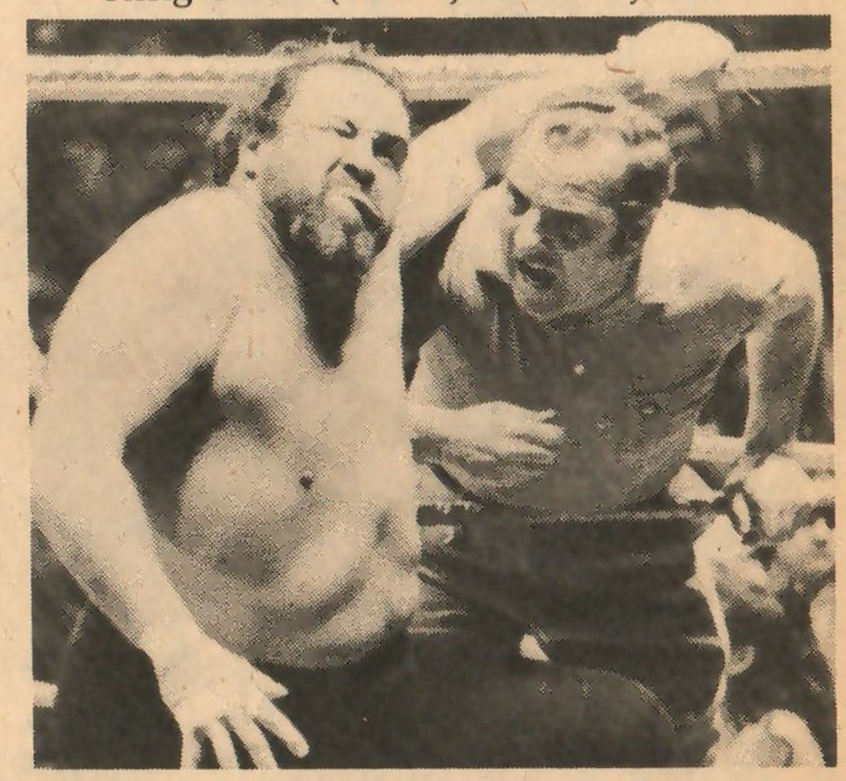
Some were terrible. Some were great. Some were blurry. Some were sharp. Some were dull. Some were exciting. But all were appreciated since you took the time to send them



Ruth Oman of Miami, Florida takes first prize in the posed picture category with this photo of Bobby Shane (above). The most unusual photo (Mr. Ganley again) features King Curtis (below) and a referee.



Robert Ganley of New York wins the first prize in the action photo category with this dramatic picture of Pedro Morales diving off the top rope onto King Curtis.



IT WAS A tough decision to make. But we made it.

Out of hundreds of photos that swamped the offices of INSIDE WRESTLING and THE WRESTLER for our picture contest the editors were finally able to select a winning photo and runner-up in each of three categories.

And it wasn't easy. It took a lot of sweating, studying and debating as to which was the best. For as one of the editors said "It's amazing. We expected a few good photos in the bunch. But not this many really professional-looking ones."

But we did it and we've got them now for all the world to see.

And now—THE WINNAHH-HHS!!!

First for the best action picture we chose for first prize a shot of Pedro Morales springing off the ropes onto King Curtis.

The man who caught Morales on film just as he was launching himself off the ropes is Robert Ganley of East Rockaway, New York. Ganley was also able to catch the enthralled expressions of the fans in Madison Square Garden during the match on February 26.

It must have been a lucky night for Ganley (but we think it was a lot more than that). Robert also walked off with the prize-winning photo in another category—the most unique, unusual or humorous picture.

The same night Robert captured on film an expression on King Curtis' face, the likes of which is rarely seen. We think it's more than just a good humorous photo and a contest winner. It's one of the best human interest shots we've come across in quite a while!

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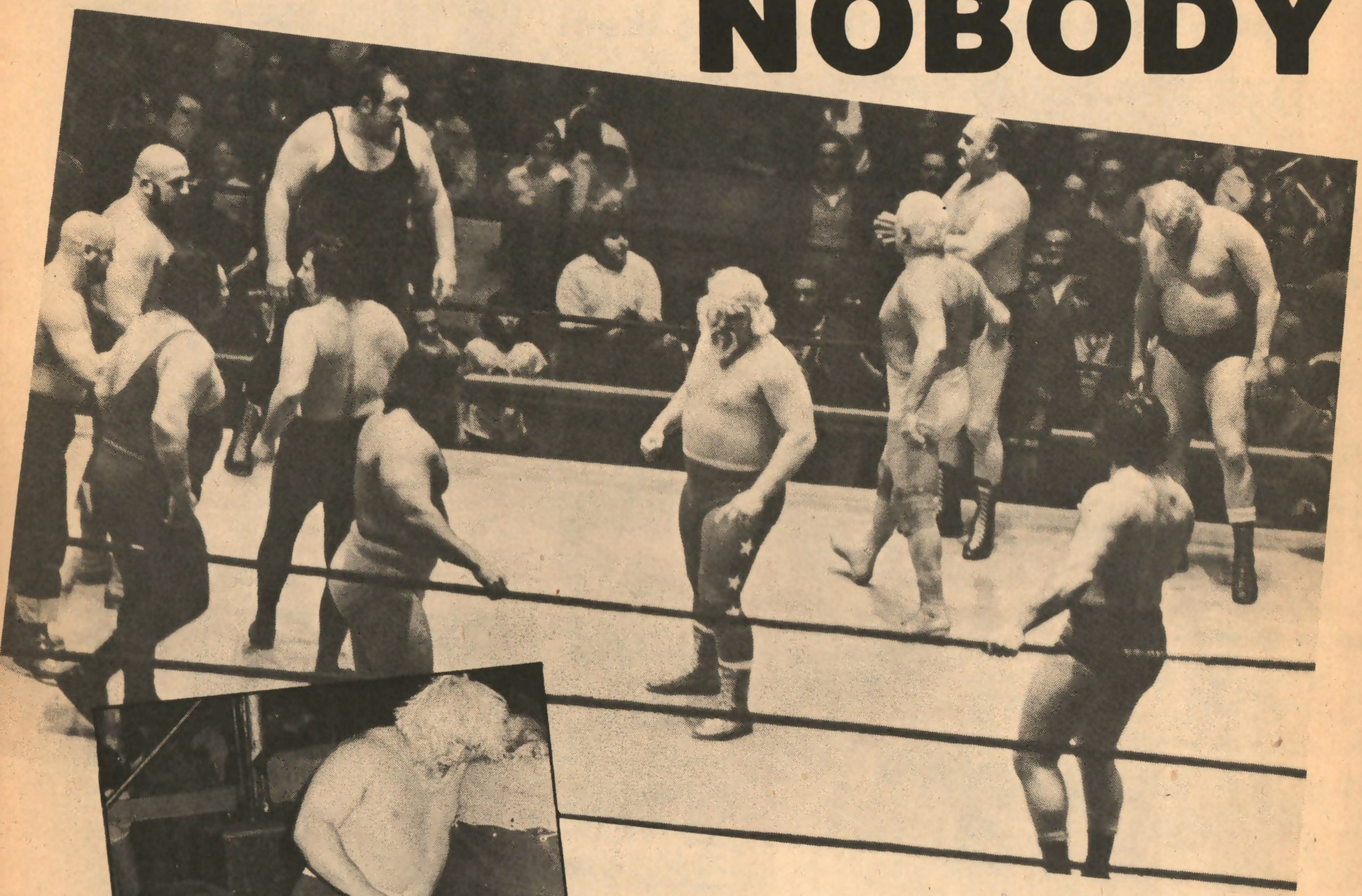
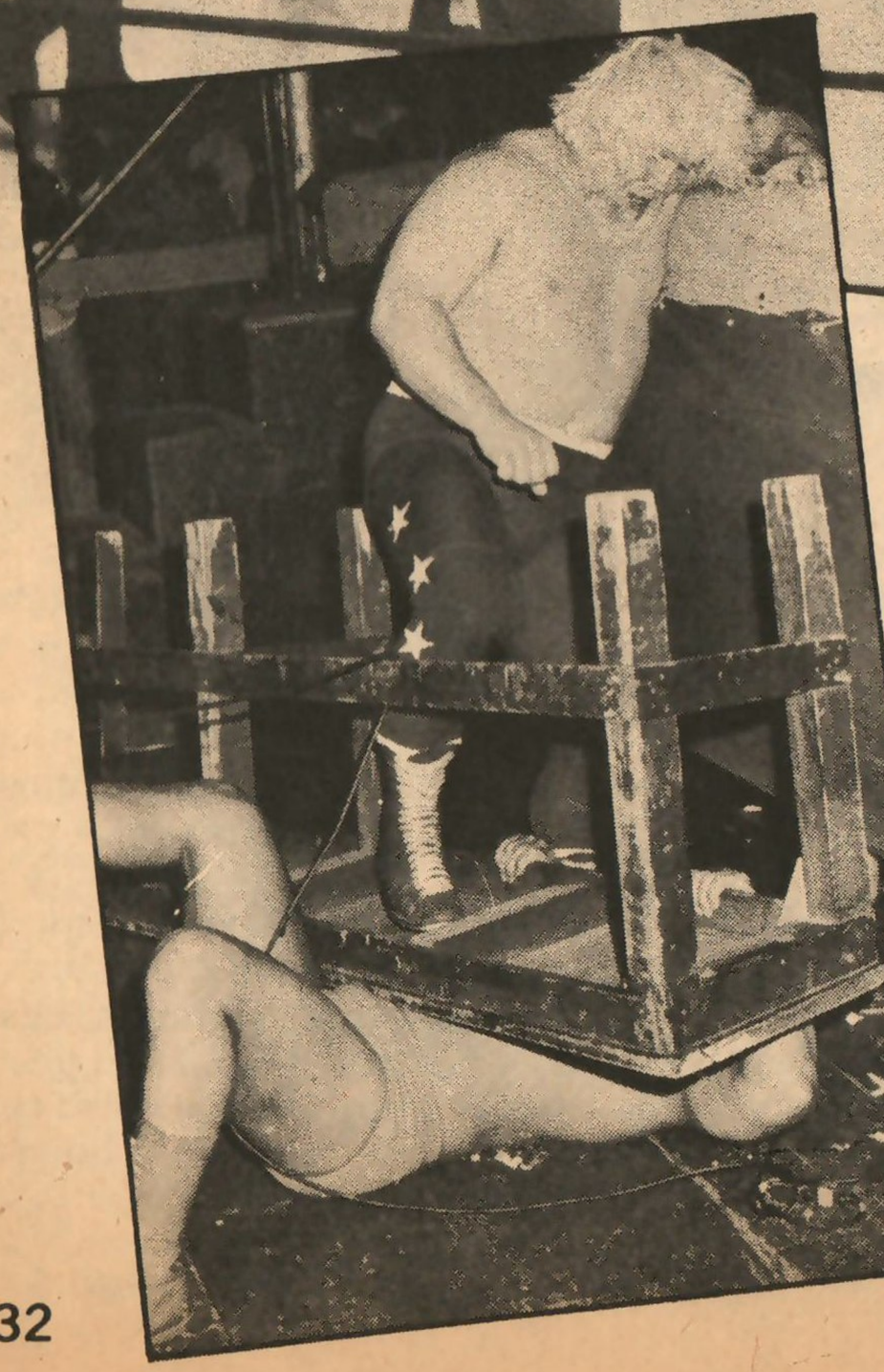
The Strange Story Behind...

THE BATTLE ROYAL NOBODY





There are so many of Lou Albano's men in the Battle Royal that nobody's sure of who to attack (above) at the beginning of the event. Moon Dog Mayne, who won the Battle Royal on a coin flip and thus got to meet Pedro Morales later, smashes Pedro with a heavy wooden table (left). That's Pedro under the table.

EVEN THOUGH YOU may hate Lou Albano, you have to admit the sly manager has concoted several brilliant schemes to get his henchmen title shots.

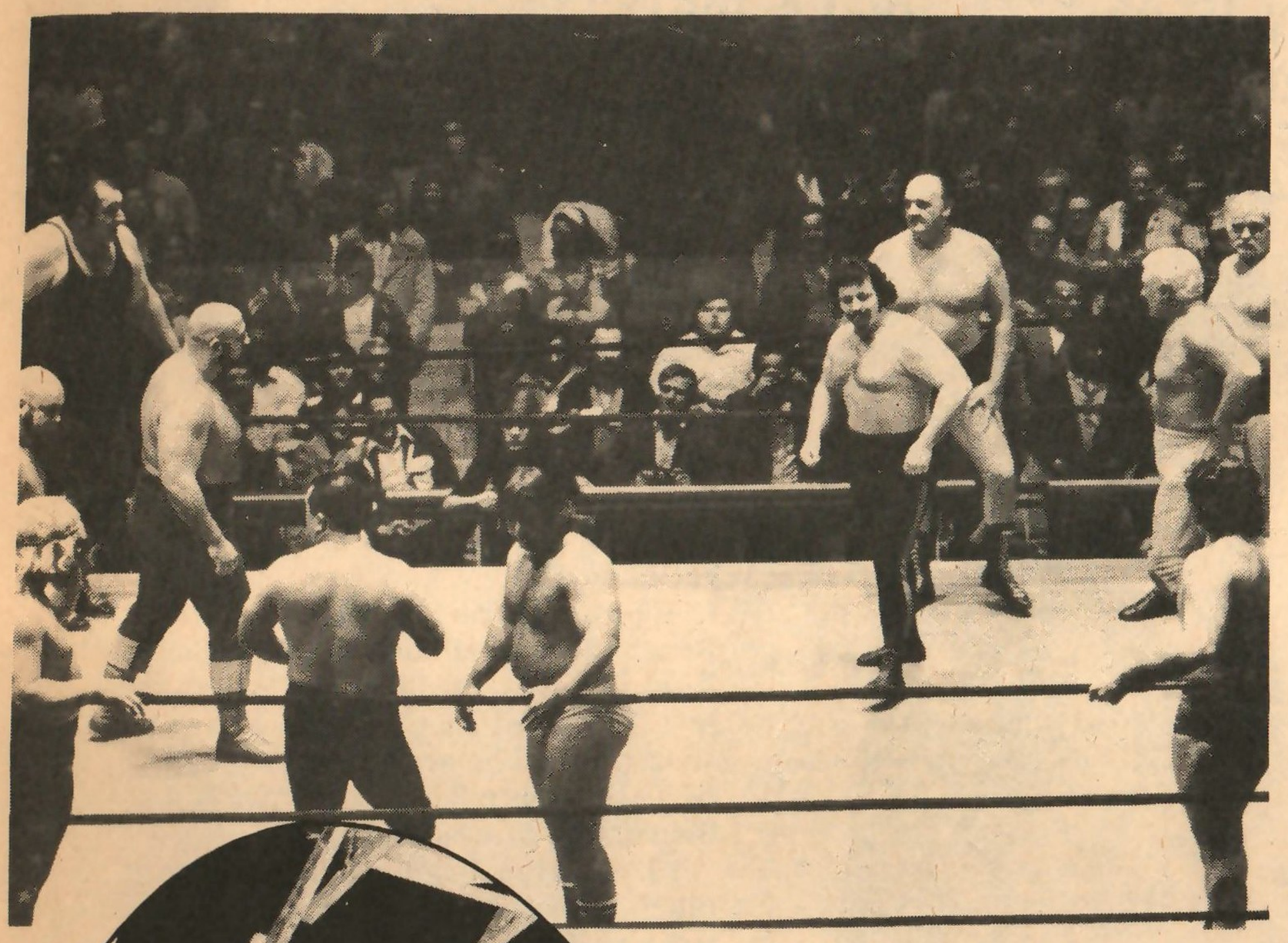
He's had his men sneak attack the World Wide Wrestling Federation champion, Pedro Morales, and humiliate him so Pedro would demand a match against Albano's man even if he was scheduled to defend his title against someone else!

However, nothing Albano has ever planned, and we mean nothing, has ever come close to his most recent escapade to get one of his men a title shot. To explain what he did, we have to go back about a week before Boston's first 18-Man Battle Royal.

Only an ego like Lou Albano's would allow him to sign up half the wrestlers in an 18-man Battle Royal and then insist the real prize was not the $10,000 but the chance to wrestle for him!

WANTED TO WIN

EXCLUSIVE PHOTOS BY BOB DACEY



King of all he surveys, Lou Albano (above) struts in mid-ring. Albano signed nine wrestlers for this bout. Morales, out from under the table (left), creams Mayne with a chair.

The battle royal winner was promised a $10,000 check and a title match with Morales the very same day. Albano entered two of his most vicious men, "Fearless" Freddie Blassie and Moon Dog Mayne. Also, to insure that nothing went wrong, Lou himself entered.

"That way," Albano explained a few days before the battle, "if something happened to my men, I the genius, would go on to victory."

Albano sounded sure of himself. He was certain one of his men would win, but we have to admit, as great as Blassie, Mayne and Albano may be, the odds were against them.

There would be 15 other guys trying to oust the Albano crew—so everyone thought. However, it turned out that only nine of those 15 would be after the Albano men because Lou had hired everyone else in the Battle Royal to wrestle for him!"

"That's right," Albano chuckled in the dressing room just a few minutes before the 18-man free-for-all.

."During the week I signed the Leduc brothers, Mike McCord, Bull Pometti, Frank Valois and Buddy Wolff, along with Moon Dog and Blassie. That way I insured myself that me or one of my men—that's nine men—would get the title shot. After all, there are only two men who I didn't sign who have any kind of a chance and that's Tanaka and Fugi. They're under contract to the Grand Wizard, another true genius.

"However, there is one provision," Albano stated. "If someone who's been signed by me for the day, like McCord or Wolff, should win the Battle Royal and win the match with Morales, he must sign a contract to have me manage him from this day forward. Ha. What a plan! I can't lose out! One of my men has to win."

Included in the list of men Lou didn't sign were Gorilla Monsoon, John "Andre" Ferre, El Olympico, Sonny King, Chief Jay Strongbow, Tony Garea and Arnold Skoaland. Quite an impressive list. Yet Albano figured he'd have no trouble with them!

Now, you have to realize something else. Suppose only Albano's men were left in the ring—all nine of them? Would they wrestle each other? *(Continued on page 50)*

LOOK WHAT HAPPENED TO DORY FUNK JR!!!

Sports history is full of stories about athletes who've had their careers wrecked by freak accidents. Some of them never make it back. That's the challenge Dory Funk Jr. now faces.

WHAT SO MANY challengers threatened to do but could never manage—putting N.W.A. heavyweight champion Dory Funk Jr. in a hospital—a calf and a tiny creek bed did accomplish.

Dory didn't see the creek, and as a result was hospitalized for no fewer than three weeks. Just when the champion can return to action is not yet known.

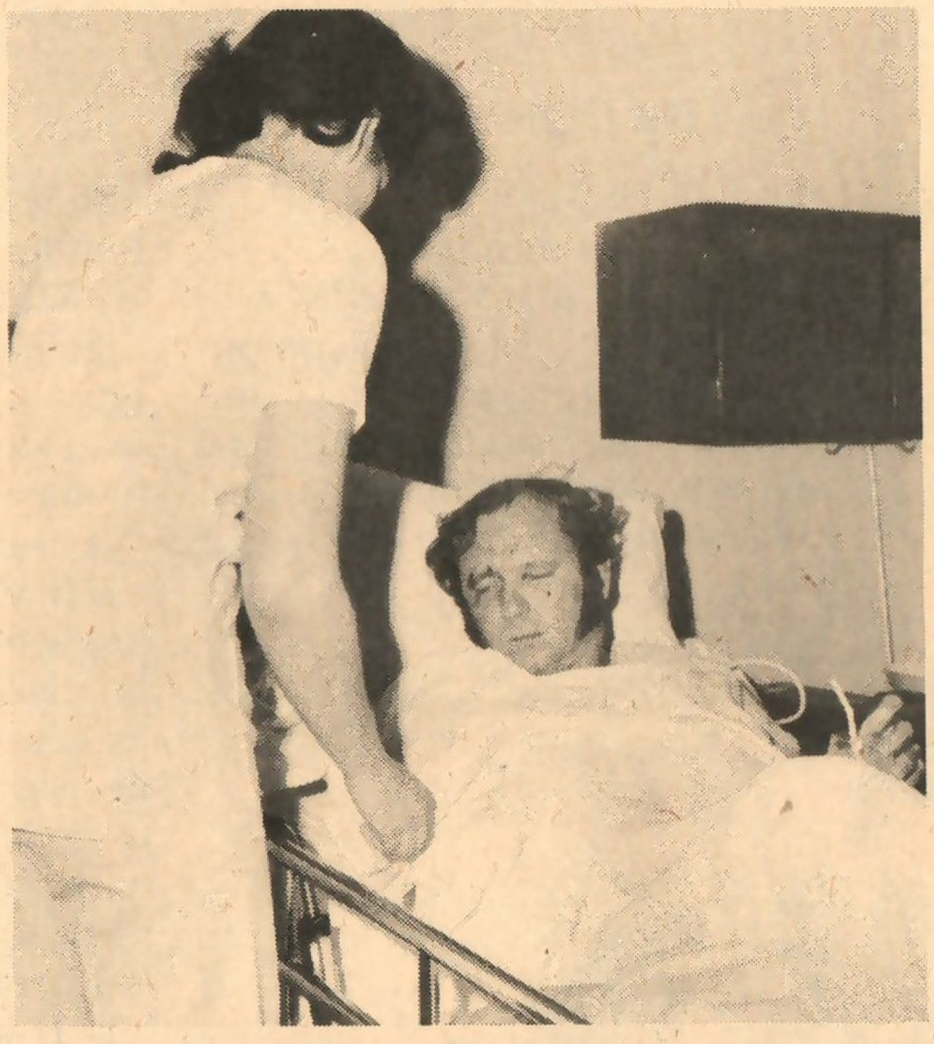
Reporter-photographer Bill Beach, a close personal friend of the Funk family, visited Dory Jr. in Neblett Hospital in Canyon, Texas shortly after the accident. Although he had trouble talking, Dory gave Bill his version of what happened.

"I was rounding up cattle on our ranch. Nowadays we use a pickup truck to do that. I was concentrating

Dory Funk Jr. ponders his future in wrestling after suffering serious injuries in an accident.

WILL HE EVER BE THE SAME AGAIN???

Exclusive Photos By Bill Beach



Dory (above) has trouble talking but nevertheless tells his story of the accident to our reporter Bill Beach. There are several interruptions as the nurse (right) checks Dory's condition. The hospital scene seems worlds away from a recent scene (below) when Dory received an award and a junior-size headlock from an admirer, a cute kid wrestler.

on nabbing a stray and didn't see the creek. I ran the truck off a six-foot creek bank. The next thing I knew—I was in the hospital."

The hospital confirmed serious injuries to Dory's shoulder and side as well as multiple lacerations of the face and scalp. In addition, he suffered a concussion, but doctors hope there'll be no after effects. Fortunately for Dory, he was wearing a seat belt. Had he not been wearing one, he might have been thrown out of the truck and had it roll over on him as it rolled down the creek bed.

Doctors say it'll probably be at least six weeks before Dory can wrestle again. Oddly enough, considering all the punishment he's taken in his many bouts, this is the most serious injury the champion has ever suffered.

Almost as soon as word got out about the accident, calls, cards and telegrams began to flood the hospital. Among the first to notify Dory was Jack Brisco, the number one challenger for his title, who offered to take all the matches Dory had scheduled.

Among the first to reach Dory's bedside were his father, Dory Sr., and his brother Terry. "My boy's got guts," Dory Sr. said, "and he'll whip this thing just like he's whipped all the men who've tried to take his title."

"Although I hate to see this," Terry confided, "the rest should do him good. He was just burnin' himself out with that crazy schedule he has. He hasn't had a vacation in a couple of years. This isn't any vacation but now maybe he'll relax a bit." The small amount of time that's not occupied by wrestling or traveling, Dory usually spends working on the ranch.

There seems little doubt that Dory will wrestle again. The question is will he be as good? There are scores of cases of athletes having accidents unrelated to their sport and never being the same afterwards. A famous example is former Red Sox pitcher Jim Lonborg, who never regained the heights he reached after an off-season skiing accident.

Dory himself is optimistic. In fact, after assuring his family that he's really okay, he asked Bill Beach to make sure to tell all of his fans not to worry.'

"I'll be back," Dory assured everyone.

But the question is—will he be the same Dory Funk Jr. as before? □

Dory Funk Sr. Reveals:

"I RAISED MY BOY TO BE A CHAMPION!"

By DORY FUNK SR.

ON THE DAY my son was born a neighbor of mine was waiting with me in the hospital room. When they told me it was a boy, I was thrilled. And my friend came up with a remark that turned out to be quite prophetic.

"Well, Dory," he told me, "maybe he'll be the one to bring a heavyweight championship to the Funk family."

How right he was!

Every professional wrestler's dream is, of course, to someday win the world's heavyweight championship. It means you're the best and any wrestler who doesn't want to be the best shouldn't be in wrestling. But I was never fortunate enough to win a title or even get a title shot, although I hadn't been in wrestling that long when Junior was born. But I decided right then and there—in that hospital room—that if my boy grew up strong and healthy I'd do everything in my power to make him a champion.

I raised my boy to be a champion.

How? It wasn't easy. Because I knew that if after all my preparations he decided he didn't want wrestling as a career, I'd have to honor that decision. That's why I insisted he go to college. I wanted him to be prepared for other things besides wrestling.

Fortunately, the ranch helped a lot. It meant Junior would have an outdoor life, which I feel is far healthier than living in a city. When I travel to cities like New York or St. Louis I look at some of those pale, weak-looking youngsters and I feel terrible. I think of all the things they missed.

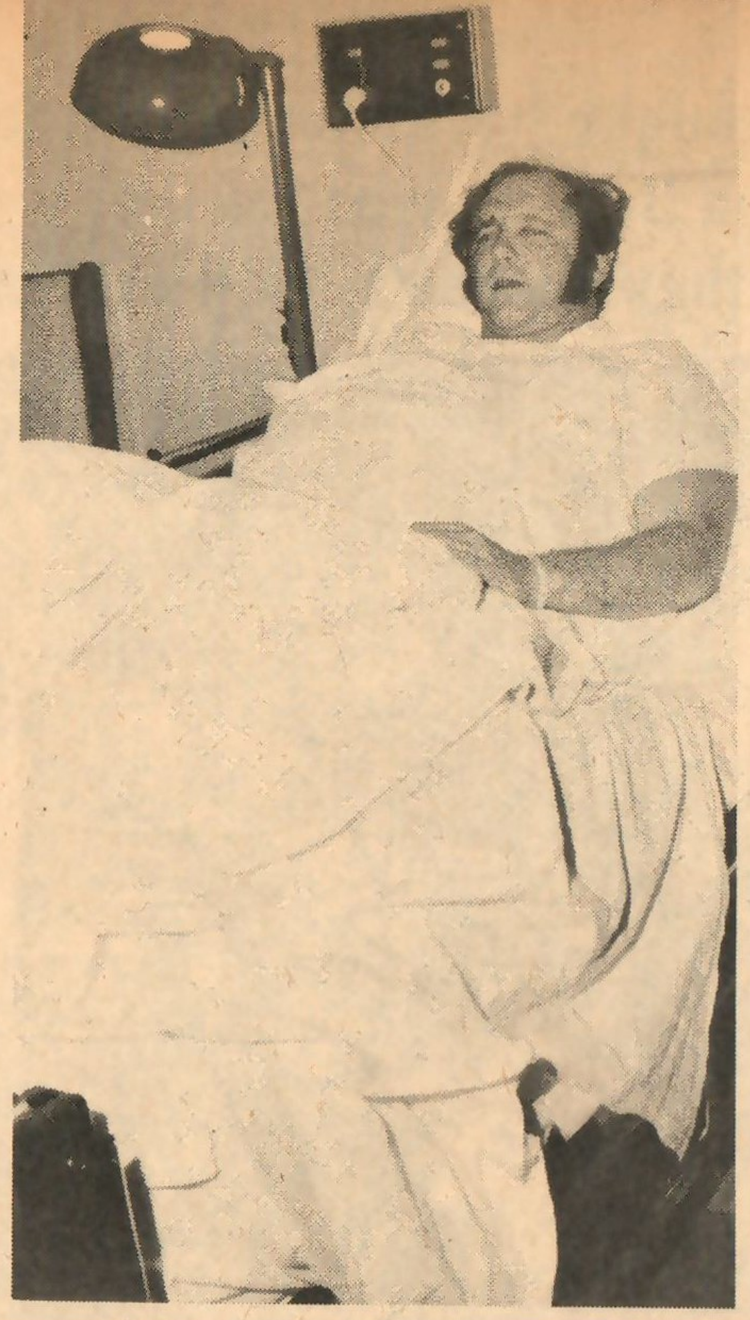
Being raised on a ranch meant Junior learned early in life he'd have to do his share. He always had chores to do, and if he wanted money for anything he'd have to earn it. I always made sure, as I did with Terry as well, that most of those chores would help build their bodies and keep them healthy.

Another important part of the training, believe it or not, was always

While growing up around the ranch, Dory Jr. was being groomed by his father to be a heavyweight champ.

having magazines and programs about wrestling around the house. Junior would read them and it would make him interested in the sport. When one of my friends—wrestling friends, that is—would drop around the ranch, Junior would know him from the magazines. He was real impressed, and if our visitor offered to wrestle with him or teach him a few things, Junior'd be real anxious to learn. In fact, after awhile, we couldn't get a visitor without Junior's wanting to wrestle him.

The one aspect of training my son to become a champion for which I received a lot of criticism was putting him in against top-rated stars so early



Despite Dory Jr.'s hospitalization, his father says "he'll lick this thing the same way he's licked the men who challenge him—with courage. Real champions meet bad times and good with guts and determination."

Dory Funk Jr. didn't become the N.W.A. heavyweight champion by accident. It was part of a carefully laid out plan which started almost from the day he was born. And in this exclusive story, Dory's father reveals what went into the making of a champion and why those same characteristics will enable Dory Jr. to fight back from his tragic accident

in his career. He wasn't professional two years when he was wrestling the likes of Lou Thesz and Pat O'Connor. Sure, he didn't beat them. But they didn't run him out of town either. I'll never forget the night he wrestled Thesz to a draw.

After the match Lou came up to me and said "Dory, you've got a future world champion on your hands." Coming from a six-time champion like him, you can imagine how proud I was at that moment.

Of course, there are a lot of things Junior did on his own. For example, no champion in history has had as many title defenses as Junior. That's his idea. "People all over the country want to see the champion defend his title," he once told me. "What kind of champion would I be if I kept the title in the closet?"

If anything, Junior's defended too often...given too many people too many title shots. He wears himself thin trying to be a good champion.

Another idea of his is defending the title against the top challengers. I can't think of one man who's a factor in the N.W.A. ratings who hasn't been given a shot. He's met 'em all...The Sheik, Mascaras, Brisco, Valentine, Von Erich, Race, Negro, everybody. Joe Frazier, when he was the world boxing champion, got a lot of flak for defending his title against Ron Stander and Terry Daniels instead of meeting the top contenders like Ali was doing. Well one thing nobody can ever say about Junior is that he didn't put his belt on the line against the best of them. They can never say that.

I'll tell you something now I've never told anyone before. That night in Tampa, when he beat Kiniski and won the title, I cried. I really did.

From the time he was about seven or eight he'd expressed a real interest in wrestling, but he loved football even more. I thought I'd lose him to football—he was all-state in high school—but he managed to play football and wrestle in both high school and college.

Before he started in high school, I set up sort of a gym in the barn. He had weights, exercise equipment, the works. He took to it like a duck to water. I'd say by the time he was 15, he'd already learned things about wrestling and had the experience of a man twice his age. That made it harder on little Terry, though, because Junior was always beating him whenever they'd wrestle. I gotta hand it to Terry, though. He never gave up without one helluva fight.

Another important part of training is one that has nothing to do with exercise or knowledge of holds or anything like that. It's training for mental toughness. You have to learn to do for yourself, to live alone, to handle crowds of people, to make the right deals with promoters, how to deal with the press. Both my boys always had a streak of independence and I gave 'em a loose rein. Neither ever took advantage of it.

One thing you can't teach a boy is what I call class. I told Junior there's not a whole lot of difference between champions and top contenders as far as ability is concerned. But champions have that thing called class that separates them from the other wrestlers.

I explained to him that there'd be times when he'd wrestle five nights a week in five different towns, and by that fifth night he'd be so dog-tired he wouldn't want to get out of bed. There's two ways you can handle that. You can fake it, or you can give it everything you've got. Those who fake it wind up as preliminary wrestlers. Those who're willing to give it everything they've got become champions.

I told him that it doesn't matter if he's wrestling in Madison Square Garden in front of 20,000 fans or in a high school gym in front of 2,000 fans. He's got to try just as hard, do just as well, conduct himself with just as much dignity. Those 2,000 people in a small town gym are just as important to him as the big city crowd.

Of course, it's one thing to explain something and another to up and do

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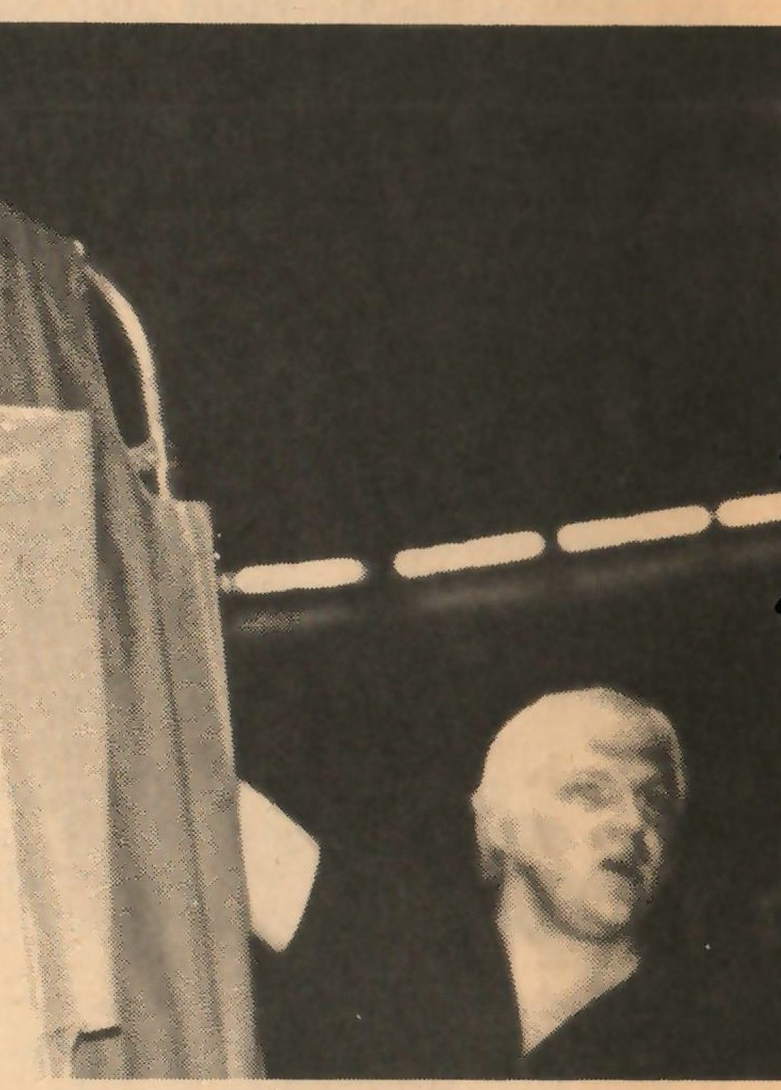
Ernie Ladd thought he came prepared by bringing a stretcher. But by the time Bruiser was finished—two more stretchers were needed. And they weren't used as Ernie had planned!



ERNIE LADD SAYS HE'S THE KING OF WRESTLING... SO BRUISER CROWNED HIM!!!

Photos By Gary Kamensack

Ernie Ladd's nose won't feel the same after Bruiser finishes with it. Ernie can't breathe!

ERNIE LADD VOWED Bruiser would leave on a stretcher! But when it was over three stretchers were needed. And Bruiser wasn't on any of them!

That's what happened in Detroit's Olympia Auditorium the night Ernie Ladd brought a stretcher into the arena and made one of the biggest miscalculations of his wrestling career!

What followed actually had its beginnings months before when Ladd was going

around, as usual, proclaiming himself the "King of Wrestling."

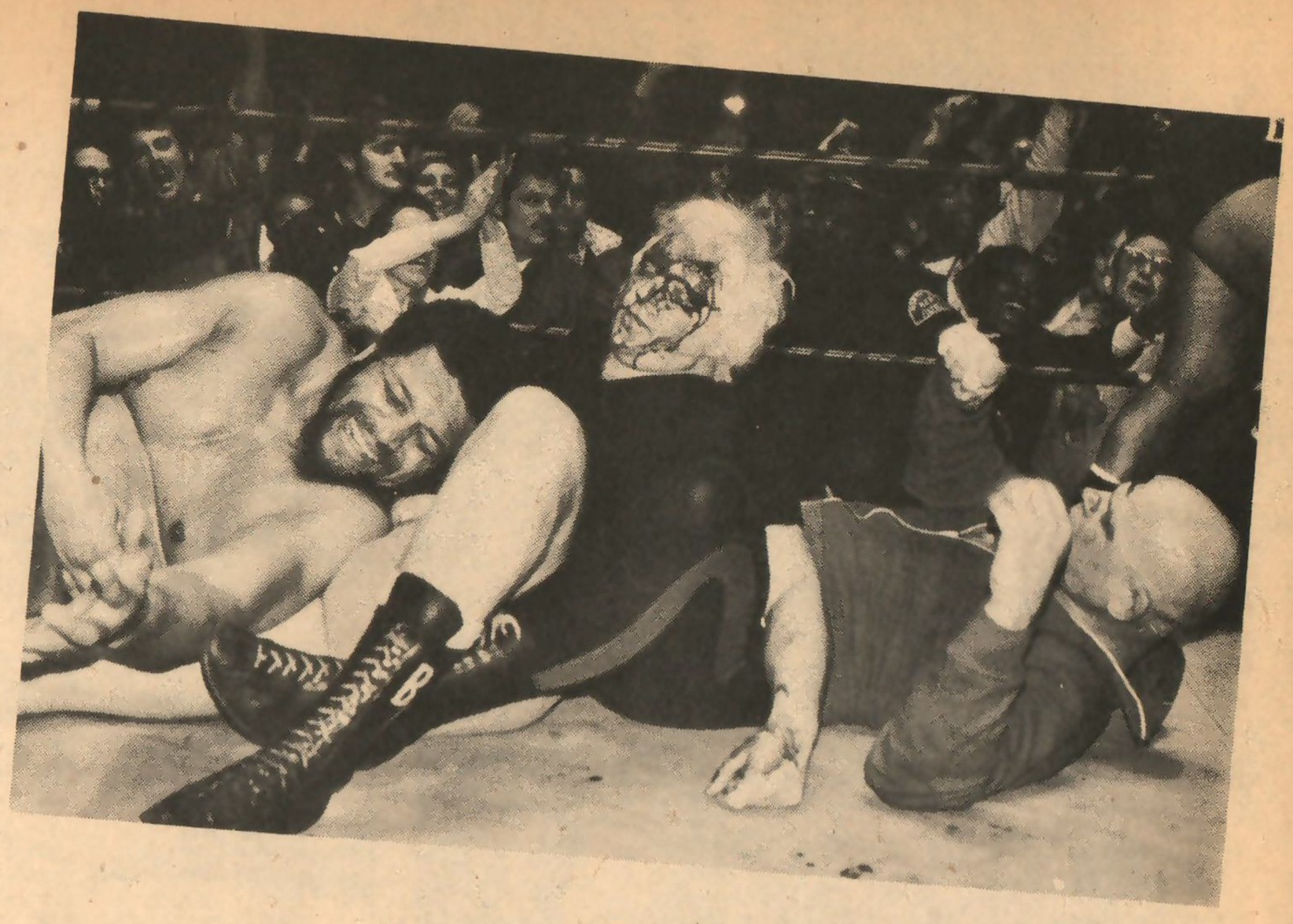
Whenever Ernie was able to get before a TV camera, any press conference, or any group of people from the Lions Club to a sports dinner, he would repeat his contention about where he stands in the world of wrestling.

Things were going pretty smoothly for Ladd. Nobody was saying much to counteract his statements. Nobody, that is, until The Bruiser happened to overhear Ladd one day and didn't like what he heard.

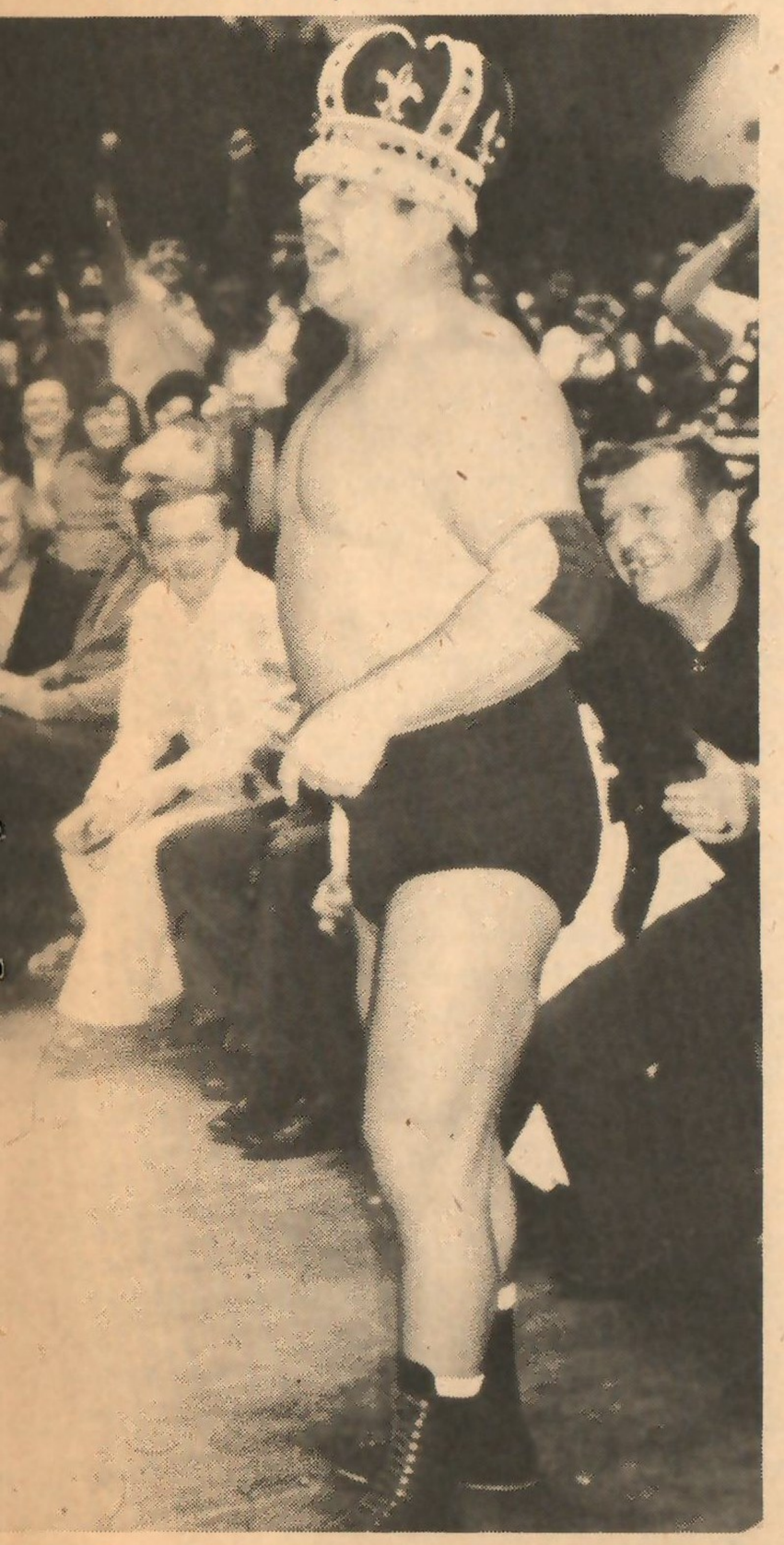
"I am the King of Wrestling," said Ladd. "I am the ruler of the wrestling arena. The others who call themselves wrestlers are nothing but peasants. I am the ruler. The one and only. The King!"

"You're right, Ernie," interjected Bruiser. "You are the king. The King of Twerps!"

It took more than Ladd's manager Bobby Heenan to restrain Ernie after that remark. In fact, it took seven security police to keep Ladd from attempting to tear Bruiser apart.



Ernie Ladd, Bobby Heenan and Baron Fritz Von Raschke (above) feel like a bunch of pins that were just racked up in a bowling alley. Ladd and Von Raschke (below) support each other as they hobble out.



Bruiser shows the fans how much he thinks of royalty by donning Ernie Ladd's crown. The fans loved the exciting match.

"Peasant!" Ladd shouted. "Vile peasant! You have the audacity to talk to the King in this manner. You have the nerve to talk to me in such a way. If this were another time you would be hung for your tongue. You would get a slash with a lash. You would be dead with no head!"

Bruiser started to laugh uncontrollably, which got Ernie twice as mad.

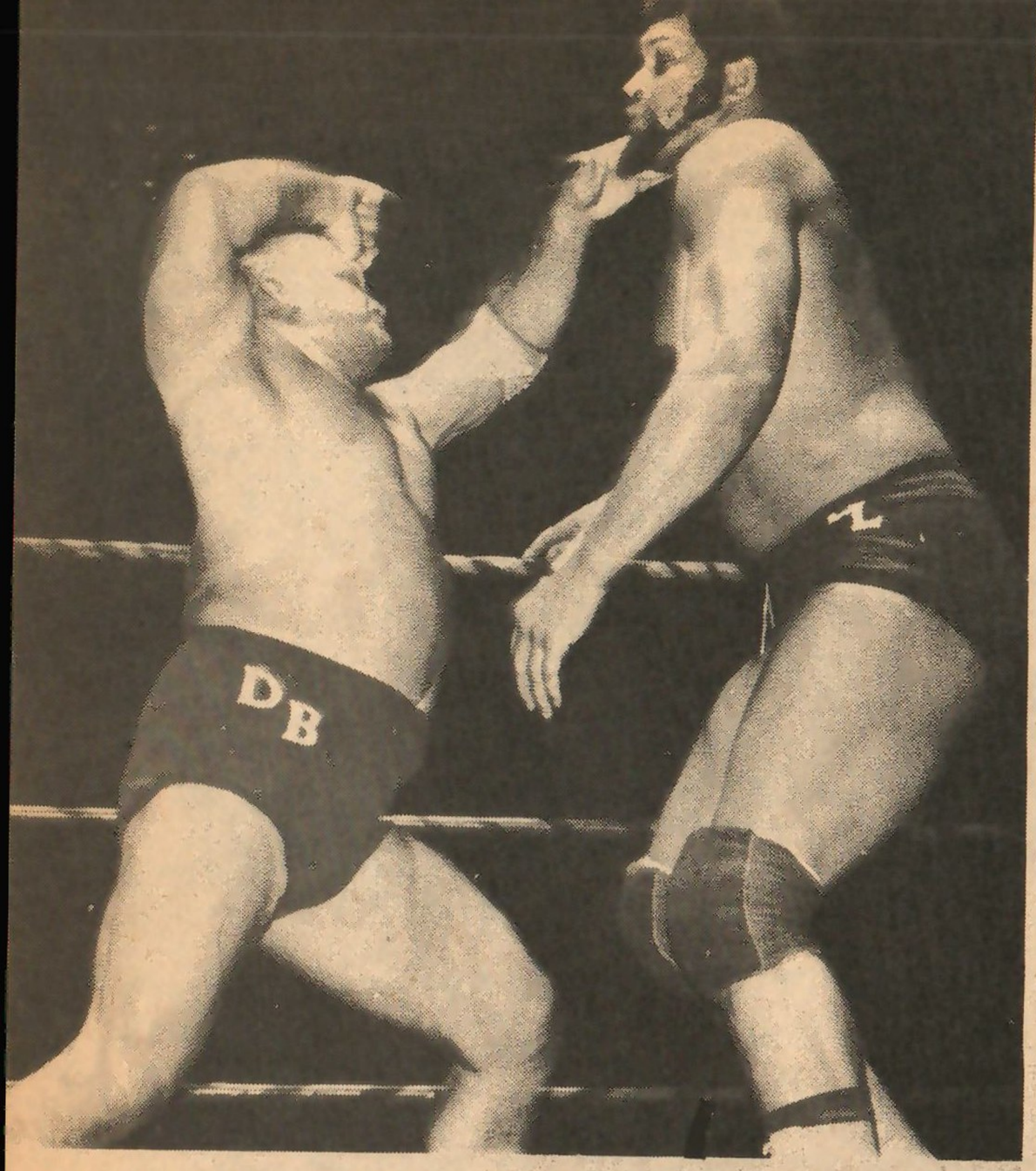
"Go dry up, sucker," Bruiser said after he finally stopped laughing. "Listen here, Mr. King, why don't you go home to your two-room castle. You may not be a king in my book. But you look like you came out of the Middle Ages. And that's about how you wrestle anyway—like you're in your middle ages."

Ladd tried to break away from the cops and deliver a punch to Bruiser's jaw. But the security force grabbed him just before he was able to connect.

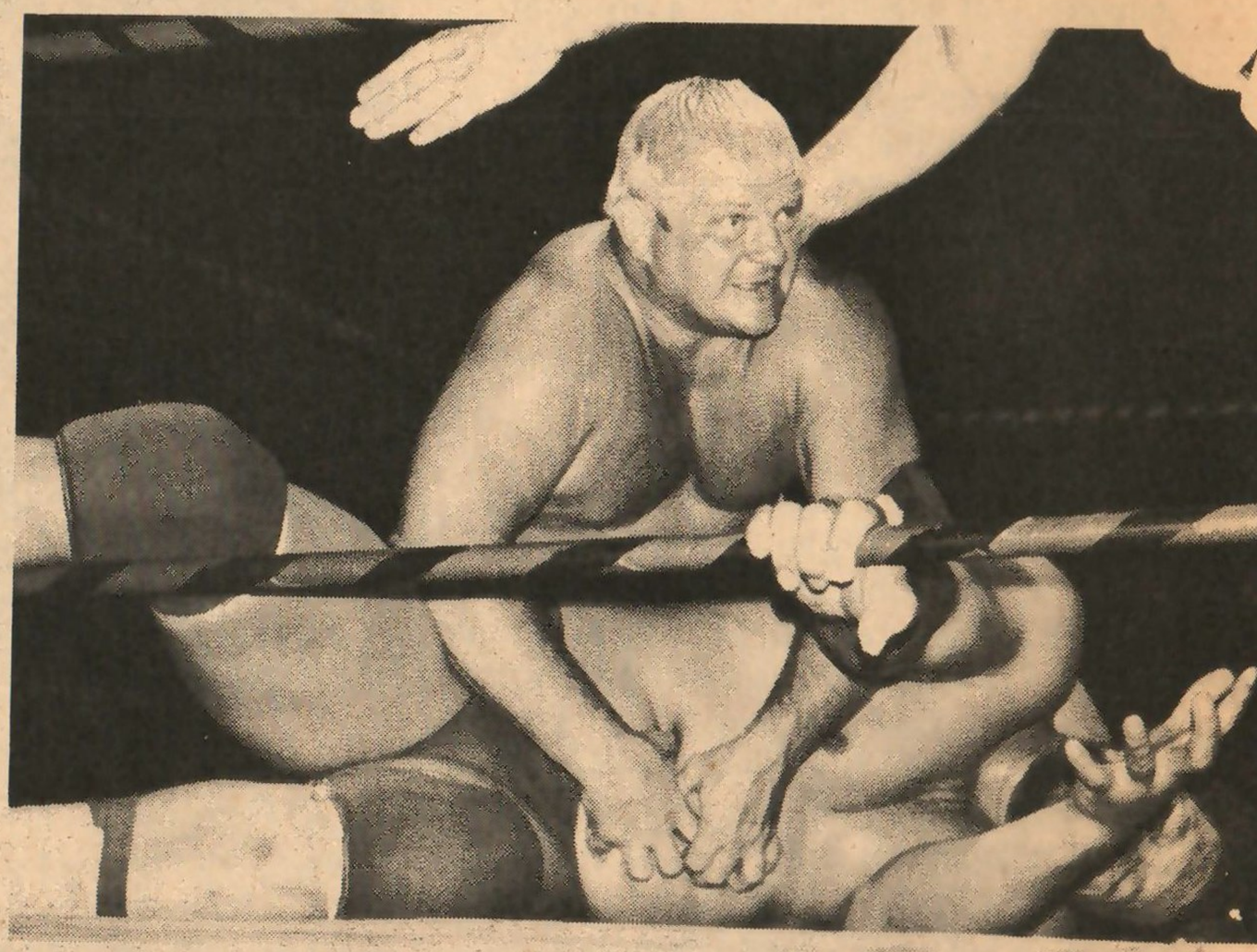
"You have no right to talk in such a manner!" Ladd roared at Bruiser. "You do not even qualify as a wrestler. You think you are. But the fans don't think anything of you."

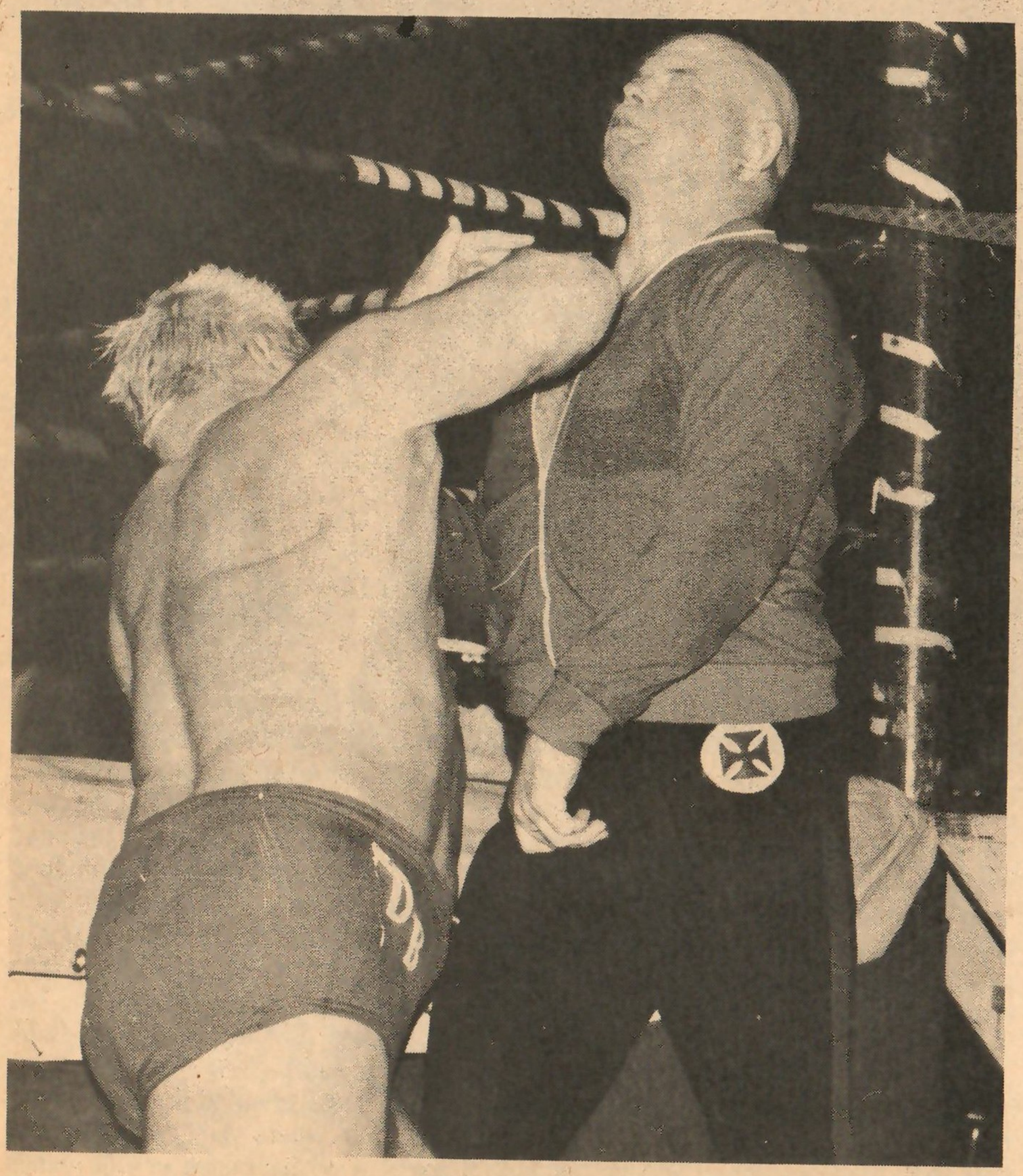
"Look, King!" shouted Bruiser. "I happen to know where you got that crown of yours. It all happened one day when you started to eat some oleomargarine!"

From the looks on both their faces, the security people and Heenan felt it would be best to get these two as far



Ernie Ladd writhes in agony (below) as Bruiser applies a severe stomach claw. Bruiser delivers a fitting gift (left)—a punch fit for a King!





All it takes is the right German phrases and the Baron clicks to attention, Bruiser happily discovers. Once at attention he is a set-up for a right to the jaw and a fall to the floor!

away as possible. But it wasn't going to be a permanent separation. Ladd wasn't going to forget what he felt was a terrible insult.

He wanted to meet Bruiser face to face. And he was going to make sure Bruiser wouldn't leave the ring standing up.

"I'll show him what it really means to be King of Wrestling," said Ladd. "And I'll show him he'd better be more careful about who he decides to insult."

"I'll meet that twerp any time he wants to meet me, in any arena, in any part of the country," said Bruiser. "And no matter where and when it is—he's not going to feel King-sized anymore. He won't even feel regular-size. When I bring him down to size he'll find an ant-hill is too high for him to climb."

The date was set. The place was to be the Olympia Auditorium in Detroit. There was an overflow crowd and everybody waited to see if Ladd would make good on his threat. And, if Bruiser would let him get away with it.

It was a toss-up as far as most fans were concerned. They knew Bruiser wasn't about to be overwhelmed in any match. But "The King" might have something up his royal sleeves that could change the whole outcome.

What Ladd had up his sleeves turned out to be his manager Heenan and Heenan's other disciple, the feared Baron Fritz Von Raschke.

A confident Ernie and Heenan came into the ring carrying a stretcher.

"I am going out of my way to bring this so that Bruiser has a comfortable

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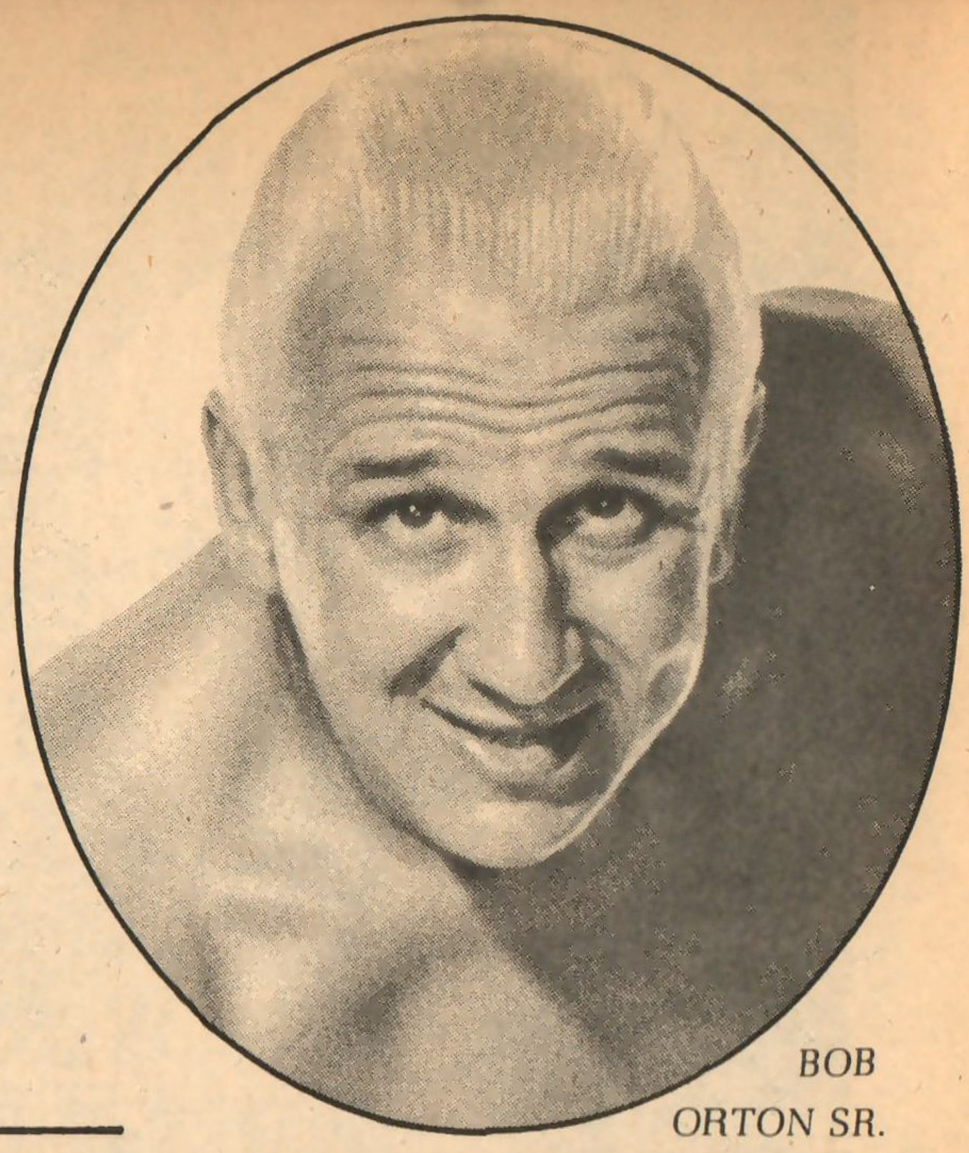
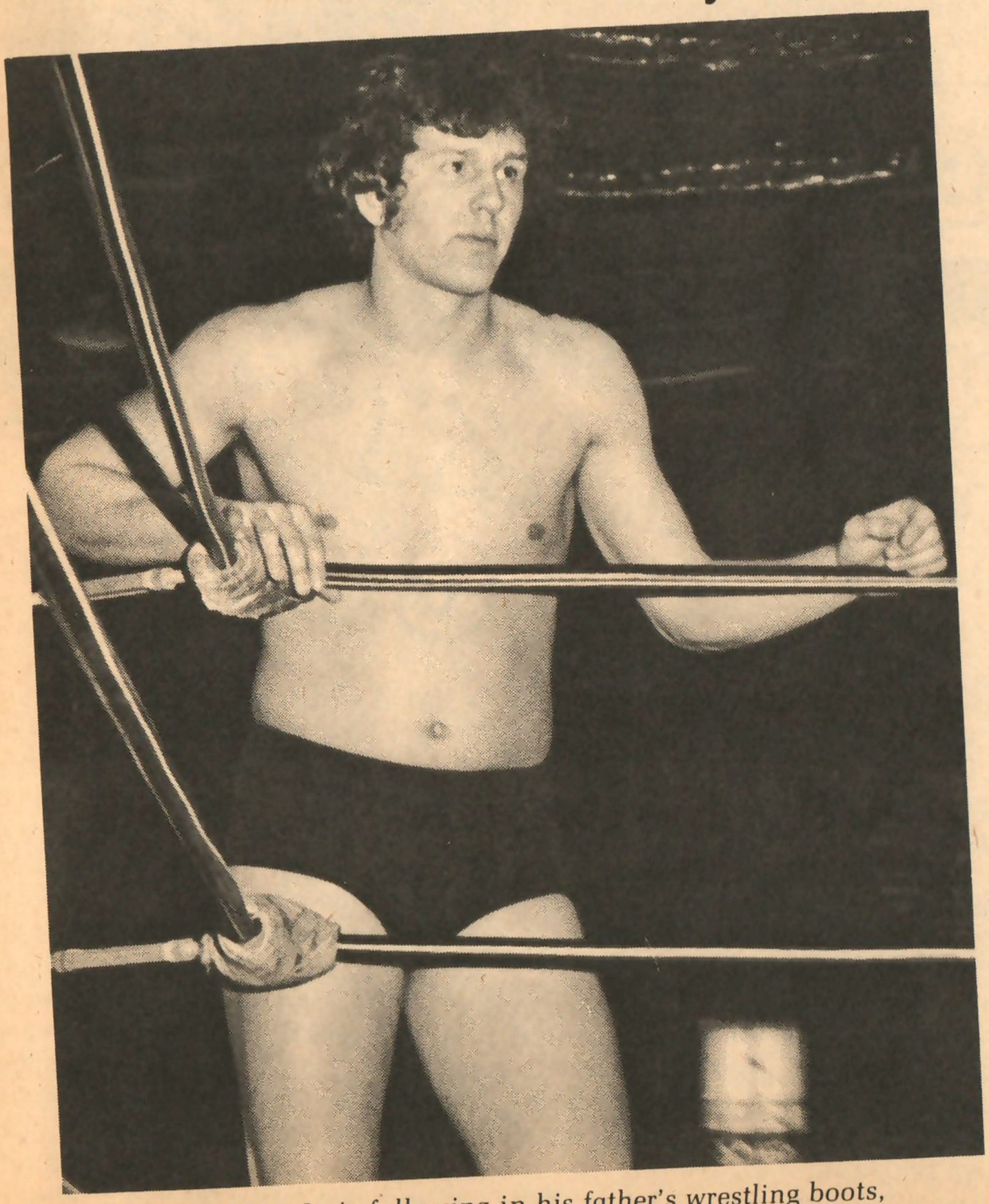
THERE'S NO GENERATION GAP IN THIS FAMILY



BOB ORTON SR.

Bob Orton, The Big O, has long been one of the great stars of the southeast. Now fans will get a chance to see two Ortons. The Little O isn't so little any more

Photos By Gene Gordon



Bob Orton Jr. is following in his father's wrestling boots, but whether he will ever get to fill them is a question.

LIKE FATHER, LIKE son!

That's the way it seems to be with the Bob Ortons—Junior and Senior.

Only time will tell whether the younger Orton ever gets to be as great a wrestler as his father, The Big O. But in the meantime Bob Jr. is making out pretty well for what some people refer to as "just a young kid." Well enough to send Mr. Wrestling No. 2 flying to the canvas and to cause Johnny Eagles some grief during recent matches.

"Not bad for a young kid," said Mr. Wrestling No. 2. "I wouldn't say he's anywhere near as good as his father, but he certainly has a lot of potential.

"I wrestled both of them. And the thing that really amazes me is how similar their styles are. It's like wrestling a younger version of The Big O, but a version that needs a little more refinement before he can really follow in his daddy's footsteps!"

The identical style is not something that came by coincidence.

"I used to watch my father years ago," noted the young Orton. "There's no generation gap in this family. I've admired him from the earliest I could remember.

"Watching him work in his matches was real helpful to me. But the thing that really taught me how he is able to squash his opponents was working out with him in the ring.

"My pop has given me some really valuable tips that give me an edge where

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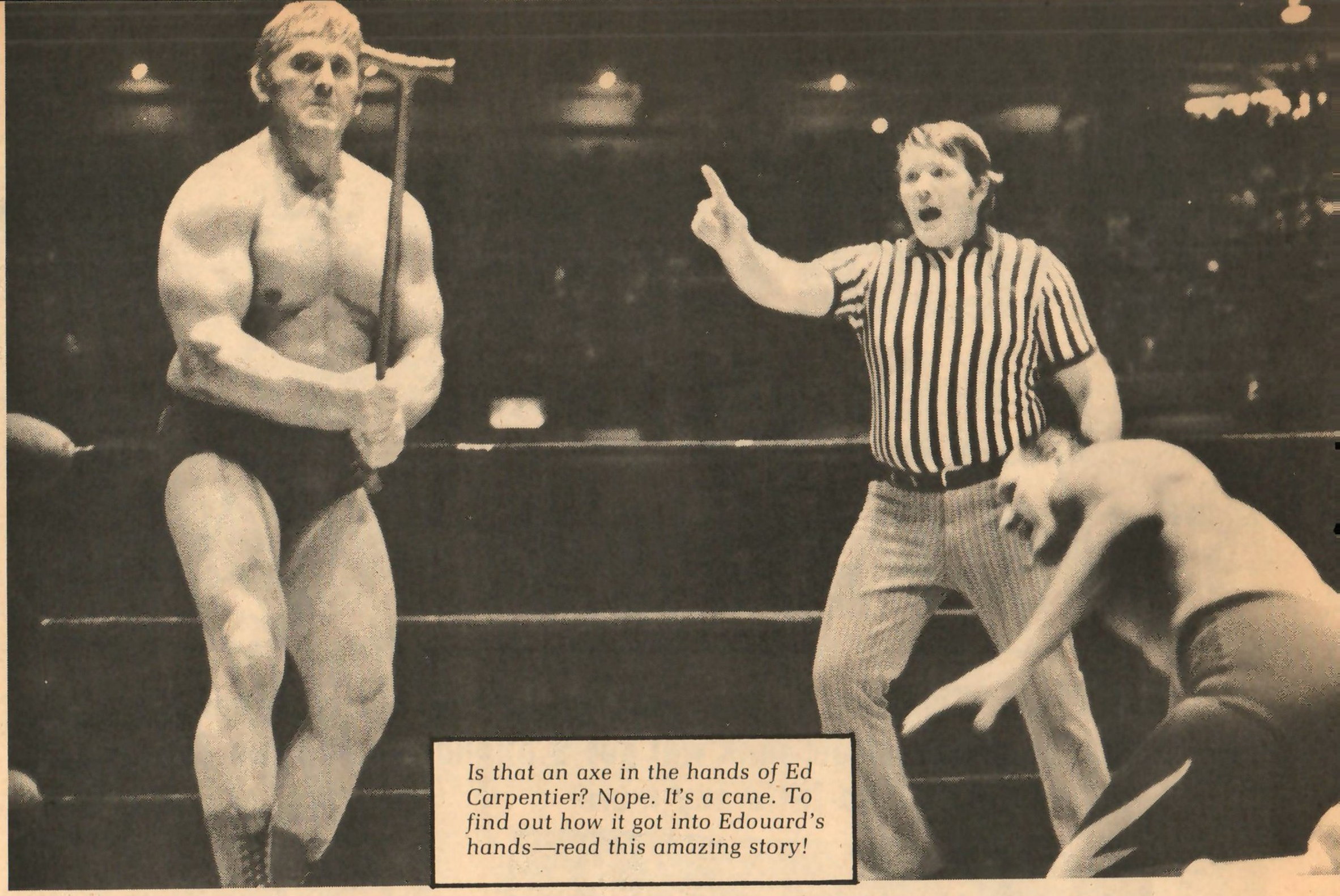


Is that an axe in the hands of Ed Carpentier? Nope. It's a cane. To find out how it got into Edouard's hands—read this amazing story!

THE MYSTERY BEHIND KILLER KOWALSKI'S CANE

"I ALMOST THREW up in the ring! Killer Kowalski got me so disgusted I almost got sick right then and there."

Edouard Carpentier was doing the commenting after a match with Kowalski at the Boston Garden. And the thing that revolted Carpentier was a simple cane that wound up as a vital part of the match.

Why should a cane get Carpentier so disgusted when Kowalski has a reputation for bringing worse objects into a match?

"I thought I was used to Kowalski's tactics. I thought I'd seen everything," noted Edouard. "I've battled Kowalski when he brought chairs, tables, you name it, into the ring. But this was an object that offended me more than any other."

The two wrestlers have hated each other for a long time and have one of the longest running and hottest feuds in the history of wrestling. But up to now they still respected each other's abilities. And Edouard especially felt Killer's unpredictable behavior presented a challenge each time.

But this time the unpredictable behavior gave Carpentier an uncomfortable feeling in the pit of his stomach. It wasn't the cane so much as where Kowalski got it.

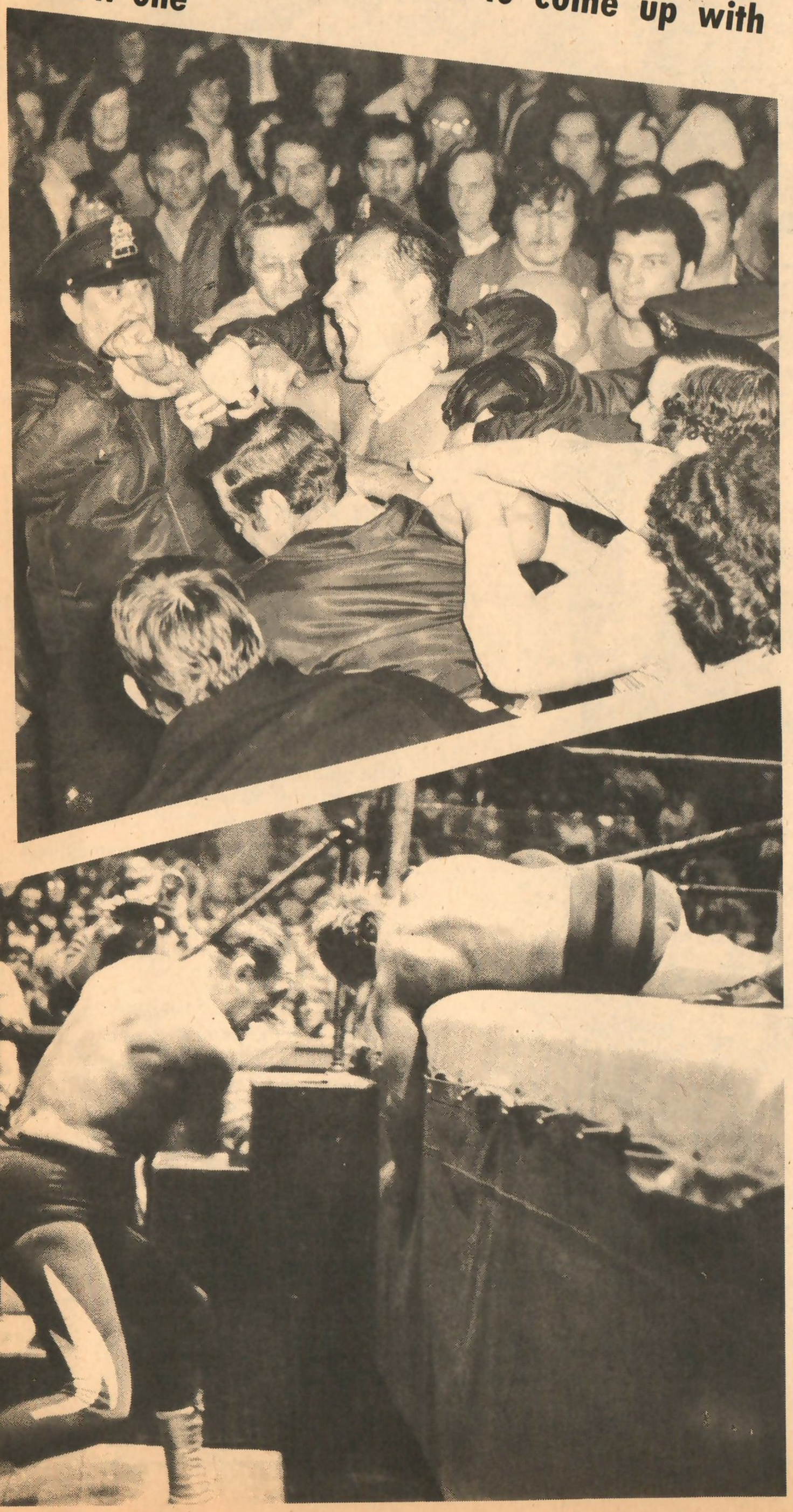
Edouard couldn't believe his eyes when he saw Killer grab it away from a man who looked like he was in his eighties!

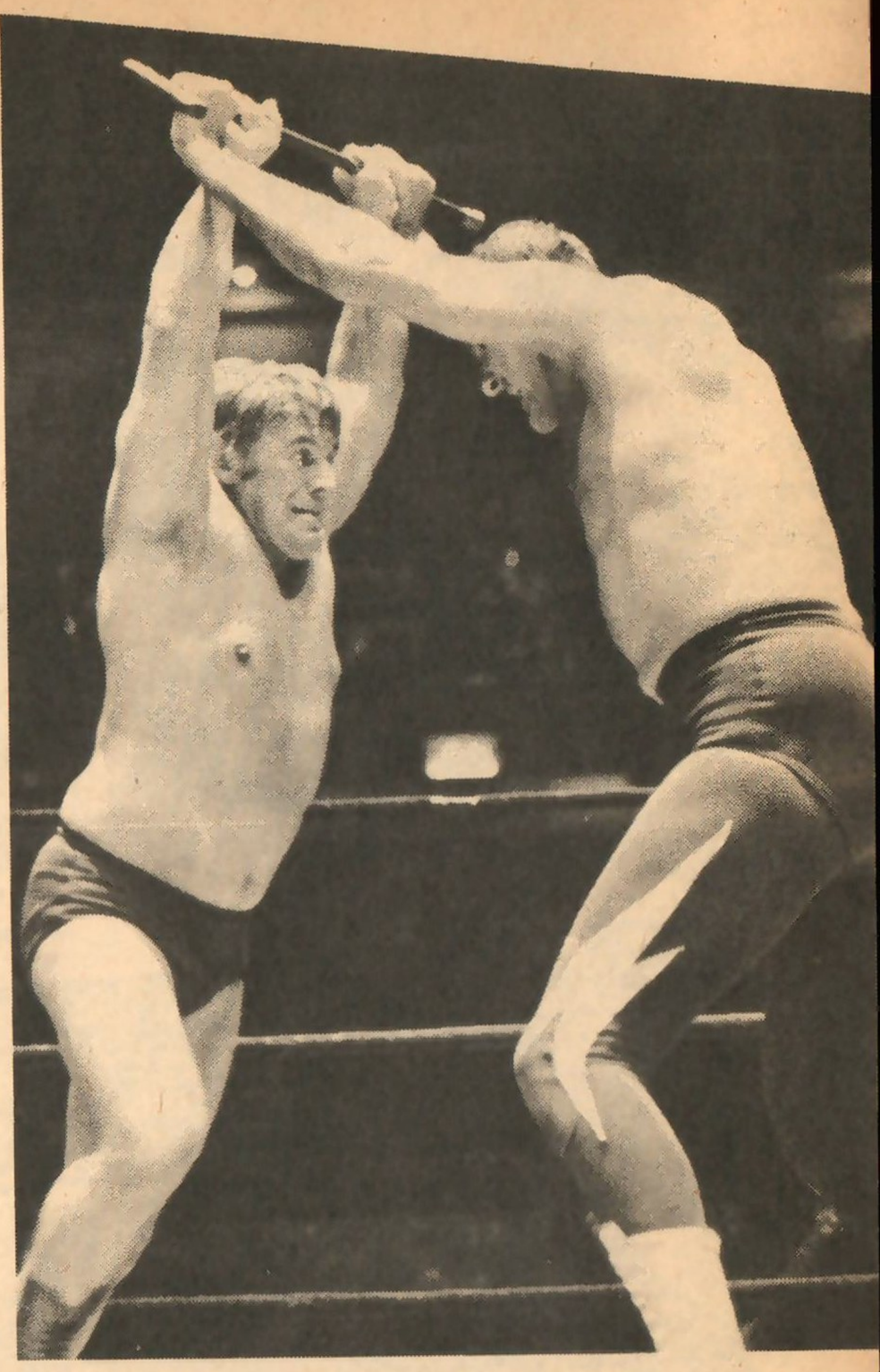
"What kind of man could Kowalski be to do such a thing?" Carpentier asked. "If he is known to be vicious while wrestling, that's one thing. But I thought he still had some basic human decency.

"Doesn't he respect the elderly? Doesn't he have any feelings about people older than himself? Mr. Kowalski may be strong. But he should have compassion for those who are old and weak. Taking a cane from an old man who cannot defend himself. That's like punching your mother in the stomach. Now nothing he does will ever surprise me!"

The cane became the object of a furious struggle during the match. Despite what Carpentier said about feeling sick enough to throw up, he really looked

You'd think by now Edouard Carpentier would know every trick in Killer Kowalski's large bag of them. As Carpentier found out, Kowalski can always be counted on to come up with a new one





Kowalski and Carpentier struggle over the cane (above) that Killer supposedly "swiped" from an old man sitting at ringside. But was that man planted there by Killer? Kowalski (left) has to be held back by police when fans try to attack him after he attacked Carpentier. Killer (below, left) slams Carpentier with the cane as Edouard lies on the ring apron.

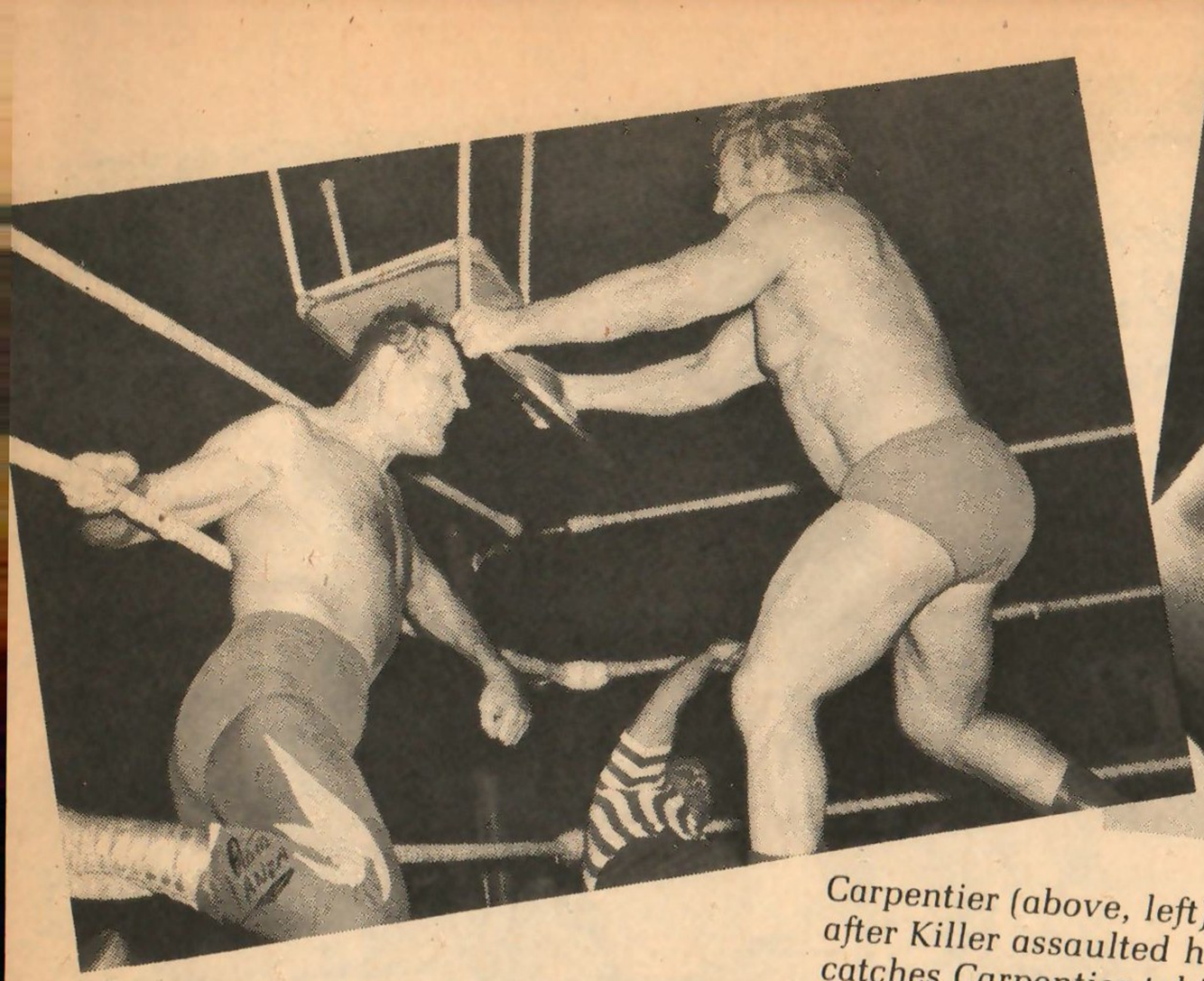
angry enough to tear Kowalski to bits when he saw him yank the cane out of the old man's hands.

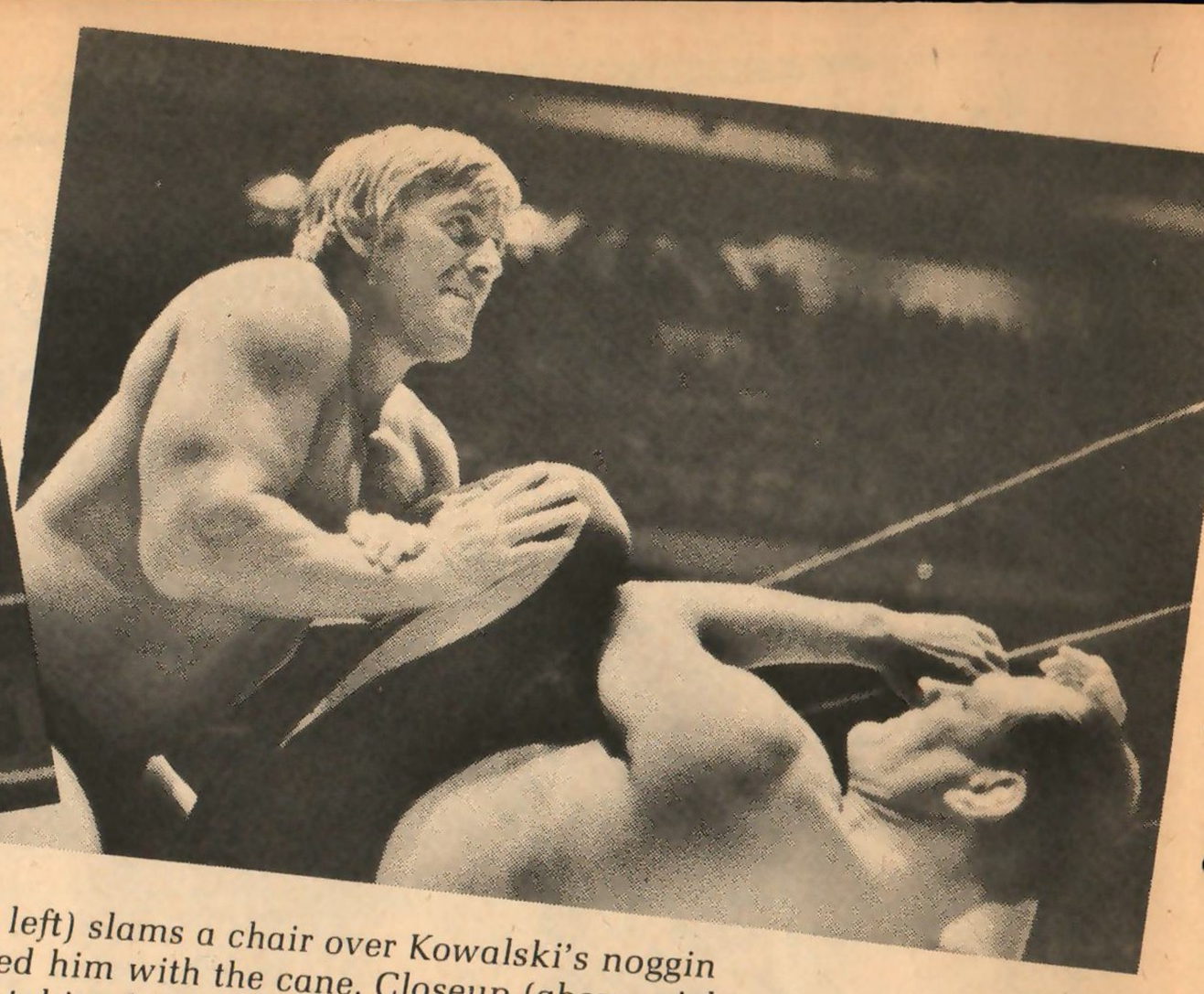
Gouging, kicking, anything that was possible seemed to happen in the struggle over the cane.

It looked like a struggle to the death as the cane hovered above both their heads with each one trying to yank it out of the other's hand. Finally, Edouard got control of it.

Kowalski was knocked on his knees with Carpentier holding the cane like an axe that he intended to bring down right on Killer's skull. The referee warned Edouard not to do it. But most of the fans doubted he would, considering his reaction to how Killer got it in the first place.

Instead of bringing it down on Killer, Edouard stepped out of the ropes and brought the cane down the aisle to deliver it personally to the old man who once owned it. The fans roared.





Carpentier (above, left) slams a chair over Kowalski's noggin after Killer assaulted him with the cane. Closeup (above, right) catches Carpentier taking his eyes off Kowalski for a moment—a serious error. Edouard (below) lands a nifty kick to the rear.

The strange old man didn't say a thing but nodded to Carpentier in appreciation. Edouard returned to the ring only to find Killer wielding a chair this time and readying it for a swift bash over Carpentier's head.

The chair Edouard could tolerate. He swiftly grabbed it from Kowalski and made it the seat of Killer's troubles with a mighty whomp on his back.

Soon it was just the wrestlers and their bare hands. But there was enough anger in Carpentier over the cane and enough determination in Killer's mind that he did the right thing to turn this into a free wheeling battle.

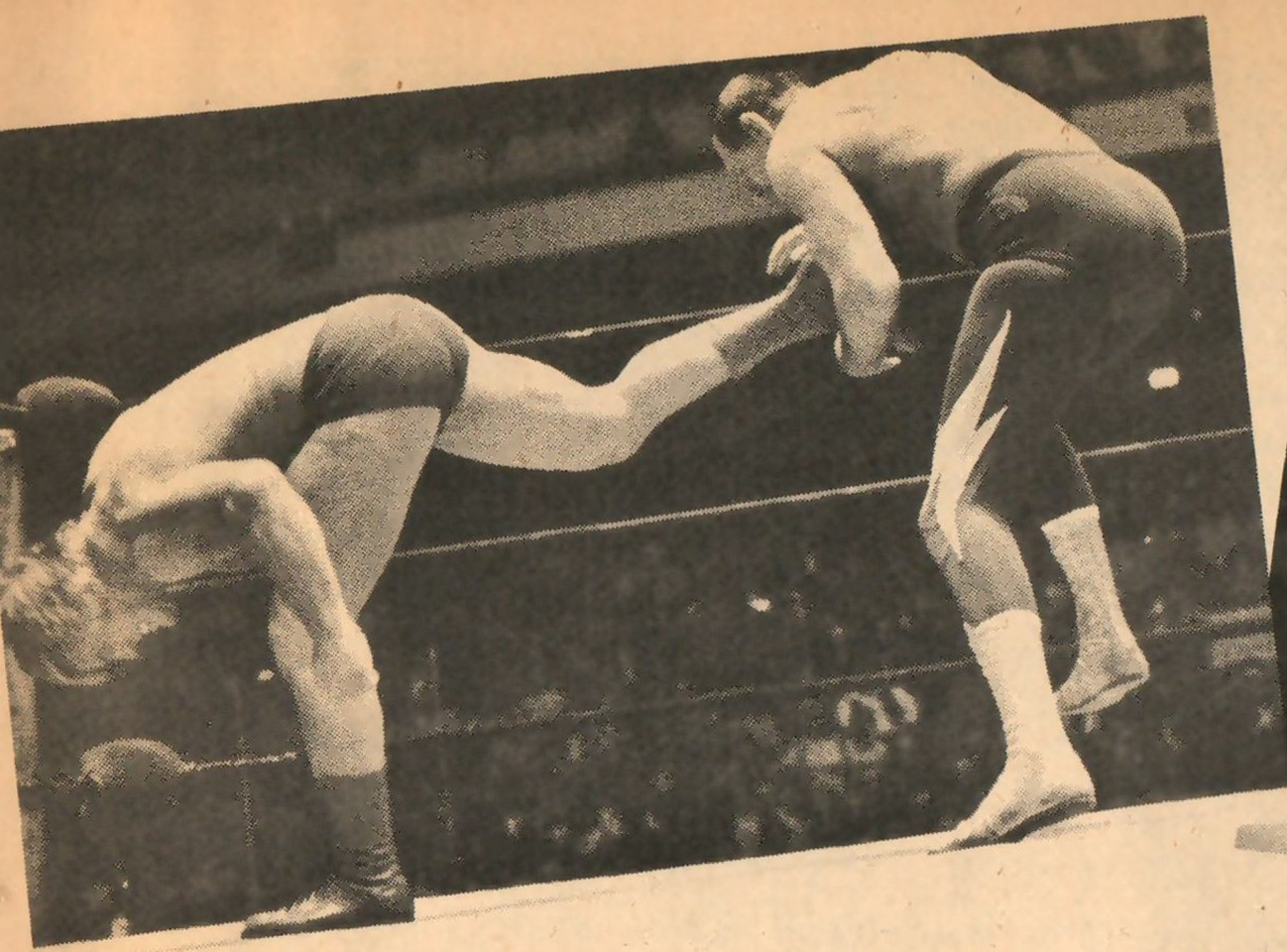
At one point Killer was in tremendous pain as Carpentier twisted his foot in a firm toehold. But Edouard got him back in spades by getting Killer into position and flipping him over his shoulder and out of the ring.

A Killer out of the ring proved to be even more dangerous.

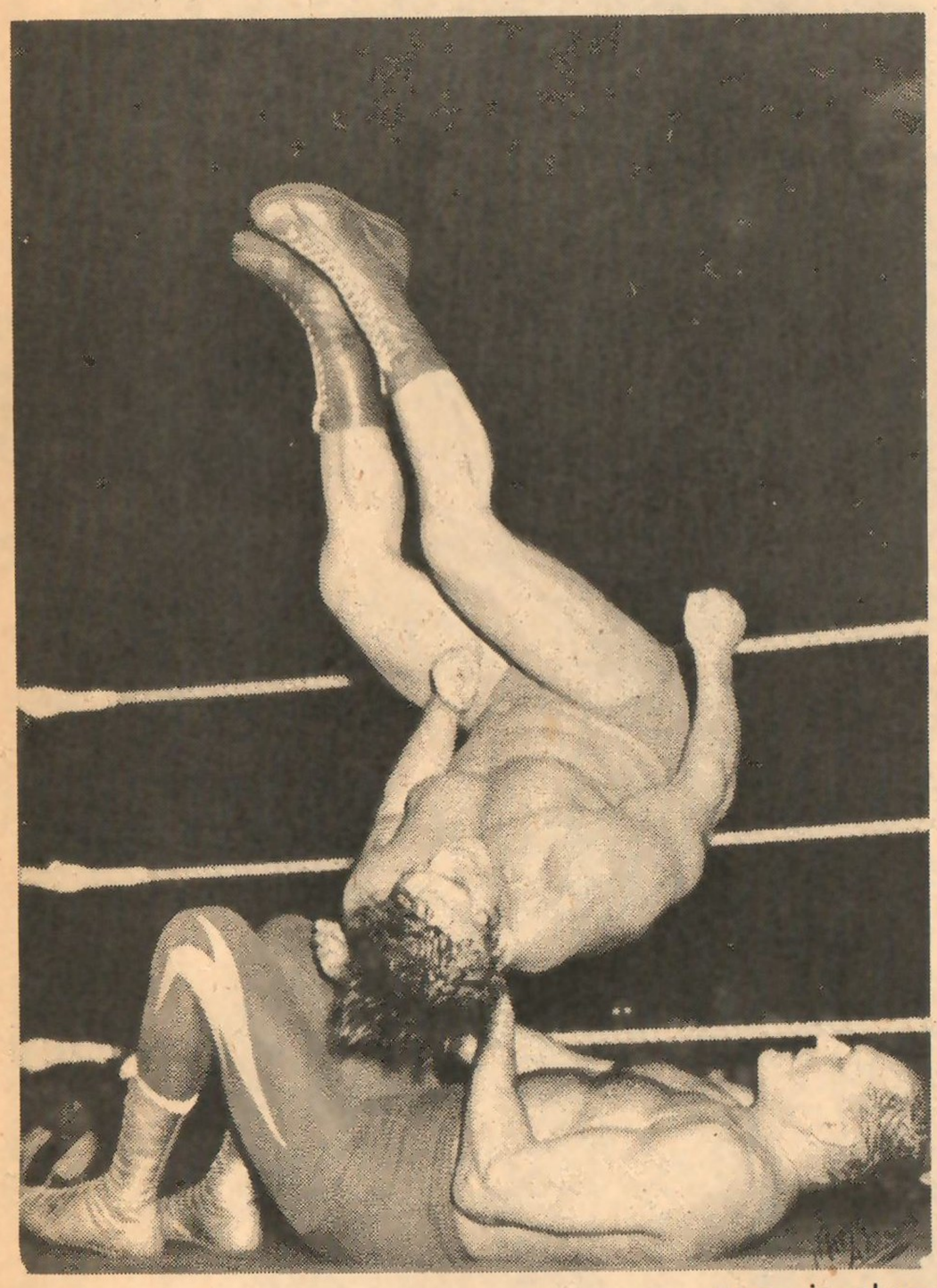
As Edouard tried to prevent him from making his way back in with any form of added comfort, Killer managed to position him under the ropes, knock him out, and slam into Edouard's left arm as it hung over the ring apron.

Soon there was more going on outside the ropes than inside. There were other big surprises in the match, but Carpentier was to find the biggest surprise of all when he returned to his dressing

A perfectly-executed arm drag has Kowalski (left) headed for an unscheduled landing on the canvas.



Kowalski may have tricked Carpentier with the cane, but Edouard has a few tricks of his own up his sleeve. Above: He meets a charging Killer with a reverse mule kick. Above, left: Playing possum, Carpentier lies still until Killer goes for the pin. Then—he lashes out with his feet.



It's hard for Killer to know from which direction Ed's coming as he executes a perfect somersault over Kowalski's prone body. Although Ed always tries to stick to the rules, he threatens to murder Kowalski if he finds out that the old man with the cane was, indeed, planted at ringside by Killer.

room.

"I was telling another wrestler about why I was so disgusted about the cane incident when he told me something I could not believe," Edouard said later.

"He told me he had seen that old man before and he's certain Killer had too. In fact, he thinks Killer knew him very well.

"He said Kowalski had played me for a real sucker. Killer had used that cane trick before though he never tried it in a match against me. That old man, and now I don't even know if he is an old man, is always conveniently located so Kowalski has an assistant with a ready weapon at hand.

"That old man whose cane was grabbed by Kowalski was probably one of his stooges, one of his plants. And both of these two characters really had me believing the man was an innocent victim."

The information Edouard got from the unnamed wrestler was confirmed by several others, and Carpentier remains convinced he was taken for a patsy by the trick played by Killer. Kowalski refused to talk to reporters about it.

"Before I was sick from seeing Killer show no respect for the aged when he took that cane from the hands of a man who looked so old and feeble. Now I realize the whole thing was a plant.

"But what now infuriates me is that I was so fooled by Kowalski and his stooge that I returned the cane to him. If I only knew then what I know now I would have broken that damn thing in pieces over Kowalski's head!"

Edouard said he was not certain what the relationship was between the old man and Killer. He could have been a relative, a friend, or someone hired by Kowalski. And Carpentier says it is possible he really is old. But he is evidently not the innocent victim he assumed he was.

Carpentier said as soon as he was sure the other wrestler was telling him the truth, he rushed from his dressing room to find the man in the crowd that was leaving the arena. He almost got into a tussle with security guards when he started tapping people on the shoulder as they were heading out the exits. The police thought he was looking for a fight.

"Even if I found him I never would have harmed the man. But I would have let him know my exact feelings in no uncertain way. And I would tell him that I would show no mercy for his protege—Killer—and would repay him a hundred times for the rotten trick he played on me tonight.

"But I didn't find him this time. The next time I meet Killer I will be scanning the crowd for that familiar face."

A reporter for INSIDE WRESTLING also had no luck in finding the strange old man. Some fans said the man seemed to vanish into thin air. Nobody could remember seeing him leave.

Innocent victim or hired stooge? Only Kowalski knows for sure. □

LOVE BROTHERS

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"And besides, we're perfect, good looking, strong, heroic, conquering, cool, great, handsome, good dressers..."

Hartford sounds like he would launch into the Boy Scout code if you let him go on.

"The fans love us—the young ones especially. And the girls—they're wild over us."

That may be a slight distortion. There are many who hate the Love brothers and their dirty tactics, their holier-than-thou attitude, and them period.

But there is an element that always turns out to urge them on, to keep them going, to admire them.

The Love Brothers' Fan Club—a contingent of several hundred fans, mainly girls—was there as the brothers were about to face Denis Gauthier and Raymond Rougeau. Admittedly, many of the girls are exceptionally attractive. They like the brothers' style.

The Love brothers emerged from their dressing room replete with beards, love beads, bright, crazily-designed pants and (for now) their smiles. Their fans roared with adoration.

And then Gauthier and Rougeau emerged, without beards, beads or weird designs. And something very strange happened.

The Love brothers' fans didn't boo as planned. They just stayed in their seats with their mouths hanging open. They looked like they were in shock. Not a word was spoken. Not a movement was made by their eyes.

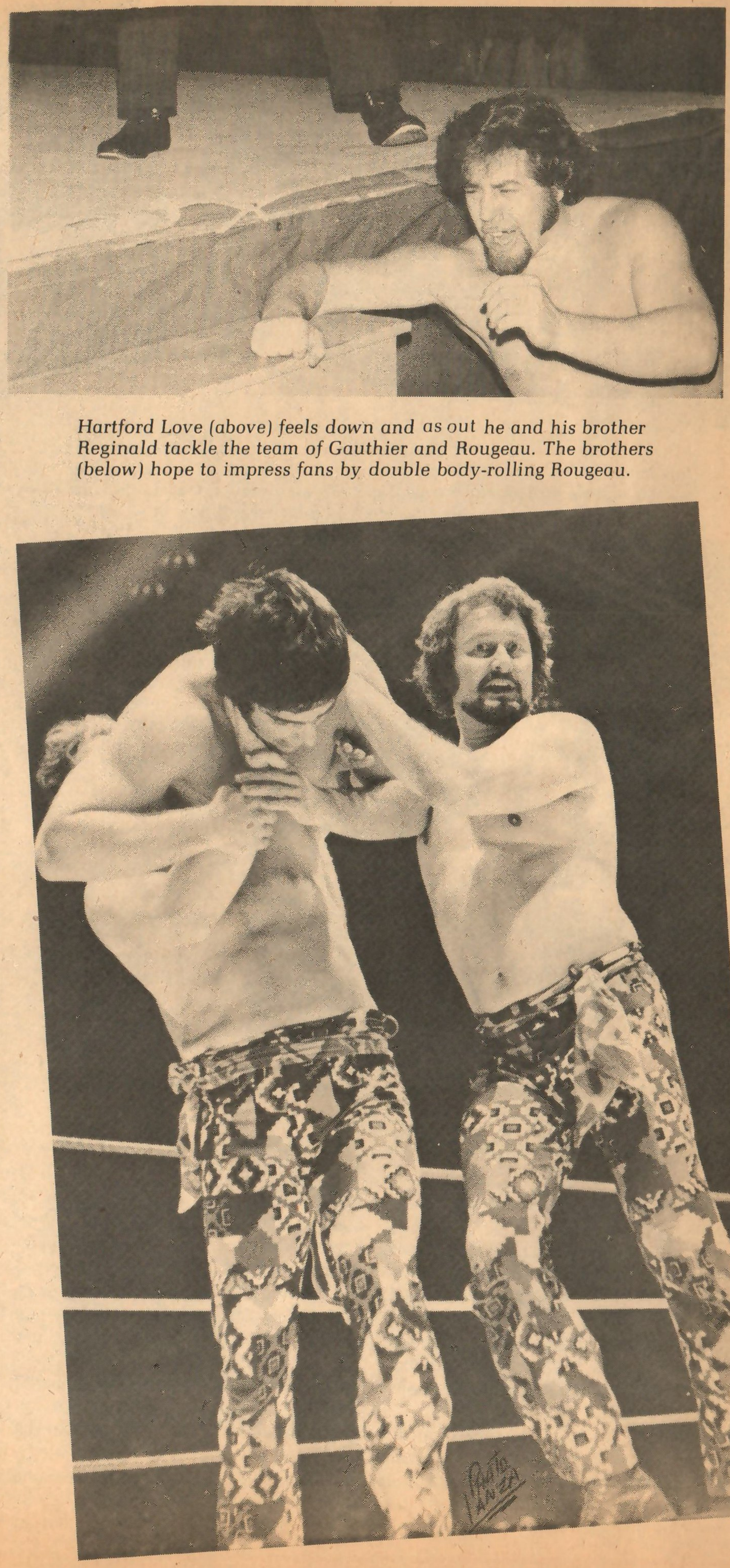
One of the Love brothers' fans, a pretty 15-year-old from Detroit, fainted dead away in her seat. "Ooooooooooooh!" was the last thing she was heard to utter before fainting.

The other girls seemed too dazed to help her up. A policeman brought her into the aisle and administered smelling salts.

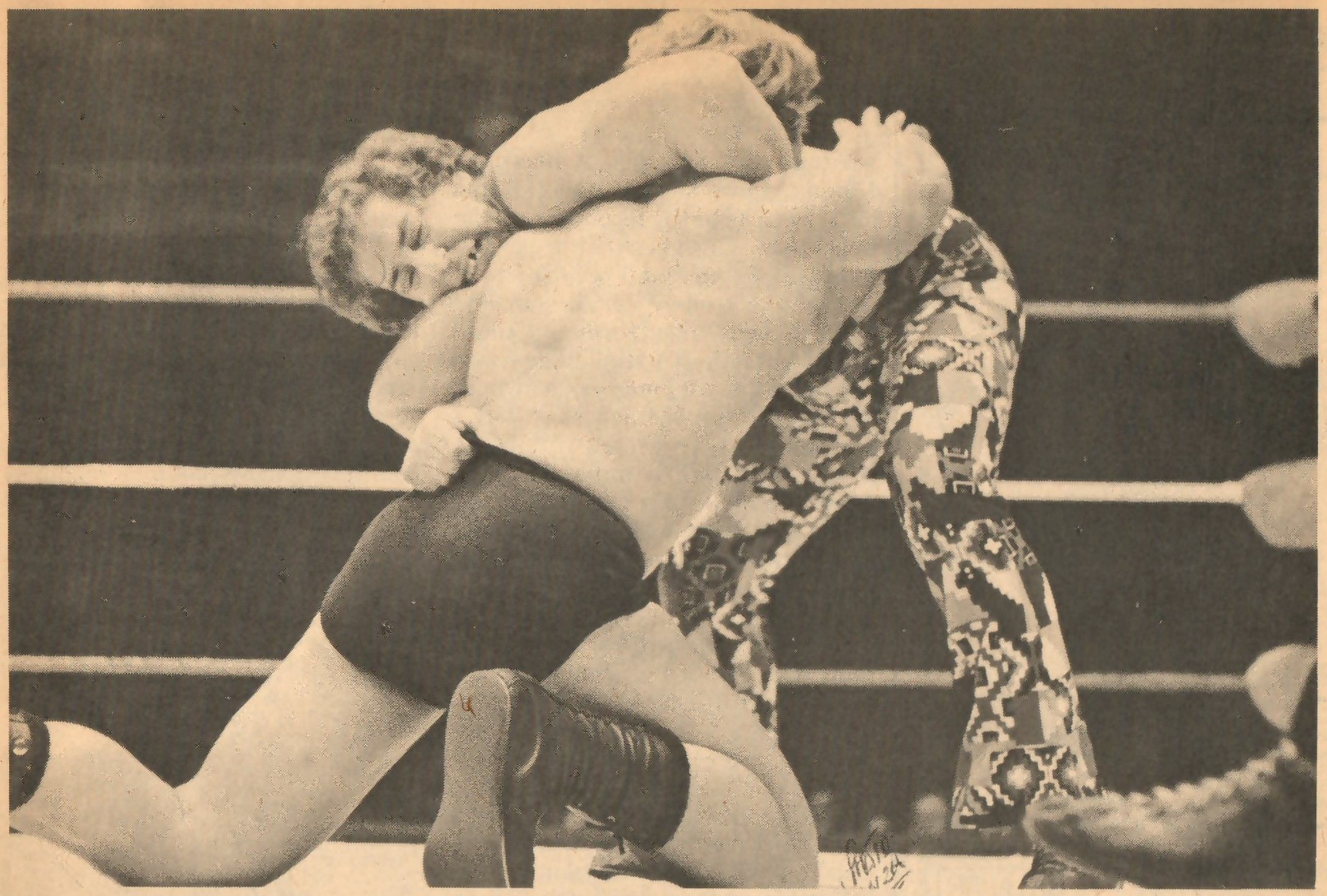
The other girls seemed to have just emerged from a fog and were now whispering to each other. There were so many conversations at once it sounded like a giant bee-hive.

What they were whispering about couldn't be heard in the ring, but Reginald and Hartford were beginning to get the picture.

"Look at those muscles," said one. "Wow. Could you believe that



Hartford Love (above) feels down and as out he and his brother Reginald tackle the team of Gauthier and Rougeau. The brothers (below) hope to impress fans by double body-rolling Rougeau.



Hartford Love (above) puts Gauthier in a reverse headlock, but isn't too pleased with the way things are going. Neither brother were their usual smiling selves (left) but they had reason not to be.

beautiful blond hair," said another. "Oh. Who cares about him. Look at the other. I'd love to take him in my arms and cuddle him," said a third. "Yeah. I guess you're right," answered the first. "He is cute too!"

The girls were going wild over Denis and Raymond. And the Love brothers were soon to become disturbed over what was happening to their fans.

They were starting to get extremely nervous and uneasy. With only seconds left before the match, Reginald started making motions with his hands indicating the beads and the dazzling pants he and brother Hartford were wearing. He was pointing out why they were the ones to swoon over. But the girls didn't seem to be buying.

The brothers' smiles vanished. They figured a little action would prove who to worship. They tried some fancy holds and then they really tried to wow the audience. Both brothers lifted Raymond up and sent him into a double body roll and onto the canvas.

But something was missing. Some of their confidence was gone. Some of their fast tricks were gone. In fact, some of their fans were gone (over to the other side).

Now Gauthier and Rougeau were beginning to show they didn't just look good. Raymond hip-rolled a surprised Hartford. Denis Johnny-on-the-ponied off his partner and knocked Reginald on his face. Gauthier delivered a sound body punch.

The Love brothers just weren't looking like the Love brothers. And their fans didn't seem to care at this moment who they were.

"Well, what do you think of Gauthier and Rougeau now," they were asked afterwards.

"What do we think of them?" answered Reginald. "Nothing. Nothing at all." Hartford lifted his hands as if to say his brother had said it all.

But the brothers walked off to their dressing room like they seemed to care very much about something. They looked dejected. They looked unconfident. And they just weren't smiling. □

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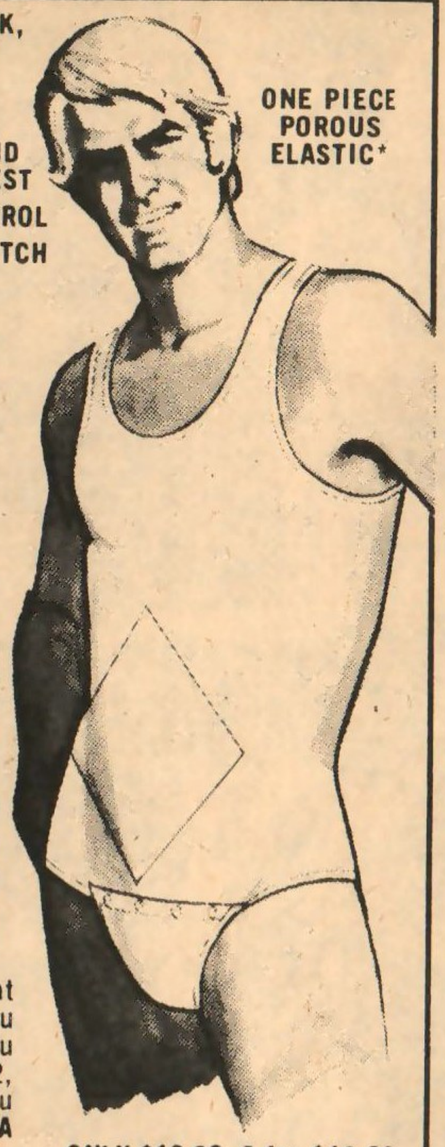

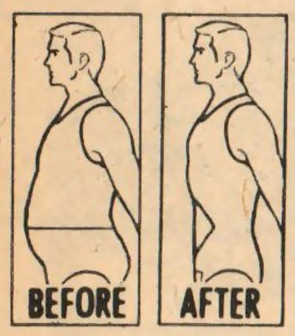

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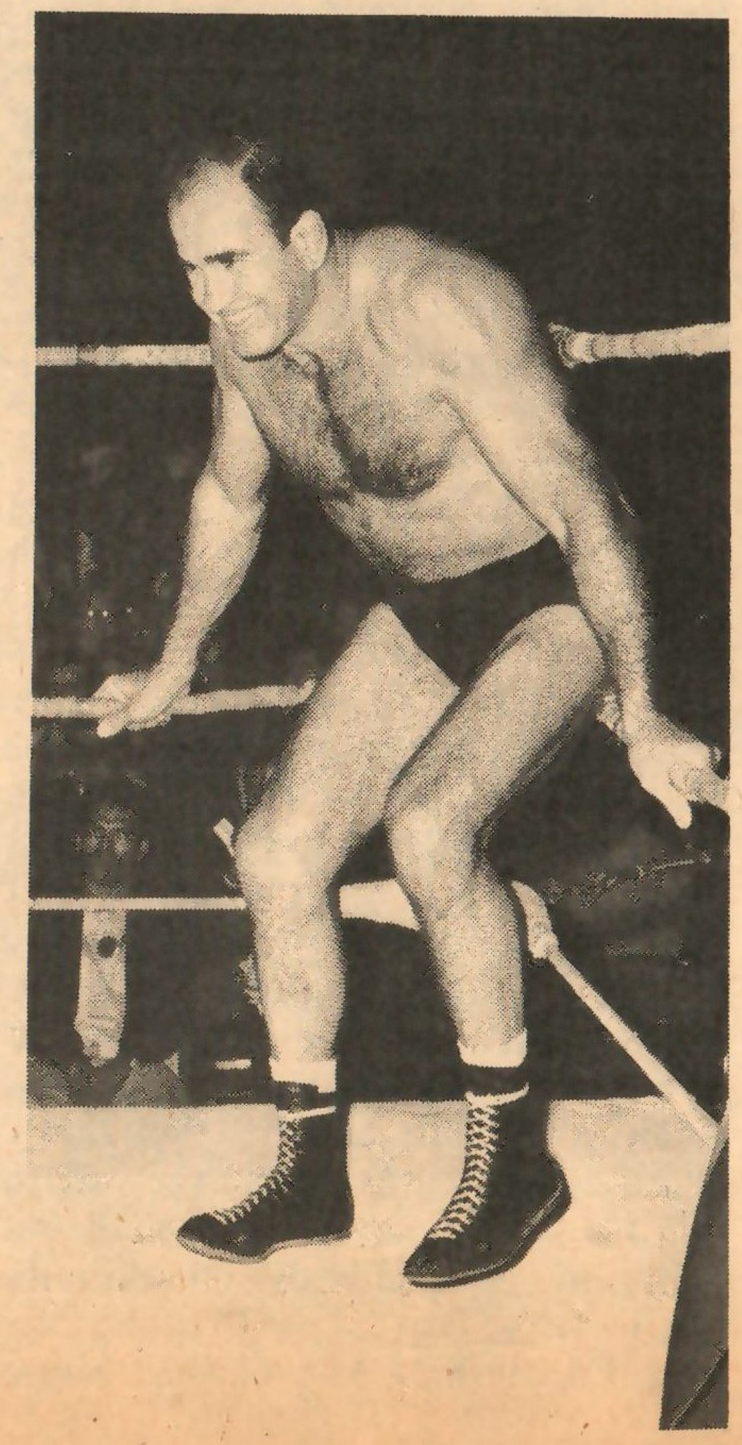
the local stations censored much of the match. They claim they've never seen anyone as vicious as Blassie... Johnny Powers and Bobo Brazil have been teaming recently and the fans love 'em! Their battle against Pampero Firpo and The Sheik was one of the wildest matches in history...Rough Roger Kirby is walkin' proud with the Central States title around his waist. Omar Atlas, whom Kirby upset for the belt says, "If I would have been beaten within the rules I wouldn't complain. Kirby knows he didn't win fairly."

Victor Rivera would like to take on Goliath and Black Gordman at the same time! He hates them both and, "nothing would give me more pleasure than destroying them at the same time," Victor admitted...Bull Curry wore an asbestos mask to protect himself from The Sheik's fire throwing in their recent match...Billy "Superstar" Graham was disqualified in his title match with A.W.A. king Verne Gagne...Don Leo Jonathan and John "Andre The Giant" Ferre have brought their feud to the W.W.W.F. area...Professor Tanaka and Mr. Fugi demonstrated their judo and karate skills in front of a nationwide TV audience. They're both experts.



Ray Stevens is burning at the referee who officiated in his match against northern California's U.S. champion, The Great Mephisto.

"He stopped the match because he thought I was too bloody to continue," Stevens claimed. "I insisted I could go on and beat Mephisto but he refused to listen. I've cut myself a lot worse. It was only a small nick. I have a feeling Mephisto was in cahoots with that referee."

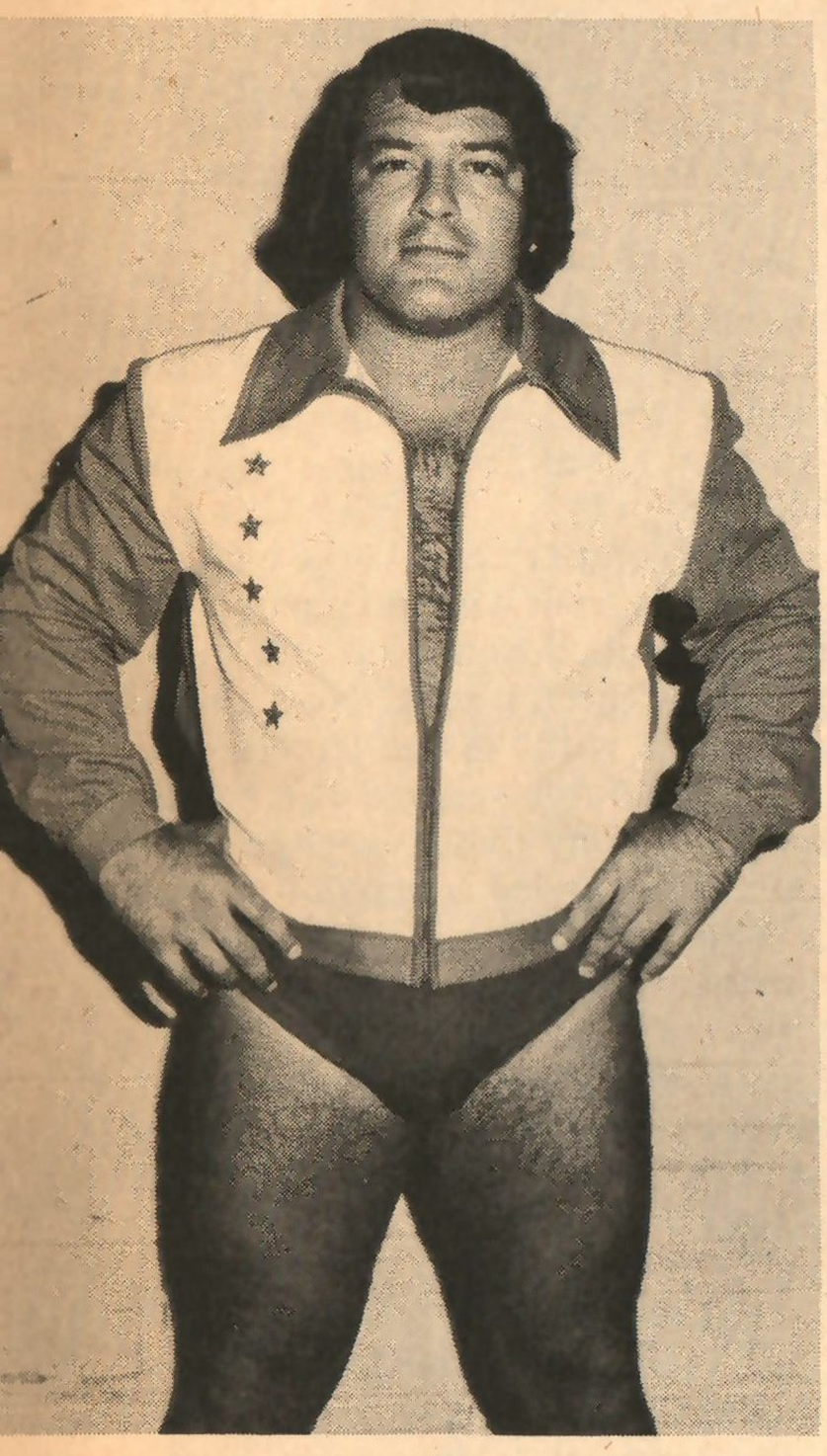
The Pro and The Medic went against two-and-a-half men recently. Two-and-a-half? You read it right. Their opponents were Hippie Boyette, El Sicodelico and midget sensation Frenchy Lamont...Wo are the mysterious men calling themselves "The Saints." Their violent tactics certainly don't justify their name.

Professor Toru Tanaka (above) gives a demonstration of his karate skill on television. Six-time heavyweight champion Lou Thesz (left) again came out of retirement and is wrestling in the south. Welcome back, Champ.

Lou Thesz, the man who held the National Wrestling Alliance title six times, has come out of retirement and is wrestling regularly in Atlanta, Georgia.

"I feel like I'm 22 years old," Thesz told our correspondent. "I'm not looking for another title shot but if the promoters think I'm worthy, I won't argue. Dory Funk Jr. is a great champion and I'd look forward to wrestling him in a title or a non-title match."

Chief Jay Strongbow admits, "I can't wrestle clean when I go against The Sheik. I hope my fans won't think bad of me but when I'm in the ring with him it's win any way I can"...Eric The Animal set a record. He was locked in The Beast's chinlock for almost 10 minutes and refused to cry "uncle." Most wrestlers give up immediately after being locked in the hold...Paul Jones captured the Southern States title and is raising all kinds of hell in Florida and Georgia. "Little Jackie Brisco



Paul Jones is back from Australia and almost immediately captured the Southern States title. Now he wants Jack Brisco's Florida crown.

had better watch out," Jones threatened. "I want the Florida title back"...Gene Kiniski and Fred Blassie are both claiming the Pacific Coast title.

When midget star Sonny Boy Hayes met Andre The Giant for the first time, as a gag, Hays walked over to him and said, "I can take you, big man." Andre looked down at Hays, straight in the eyes, and growled, "Oh yeah?"

"Yeah," Hays gulped, "I can take you—to the movies, or anyplace you want!"

And that's what's happening, baby!" □

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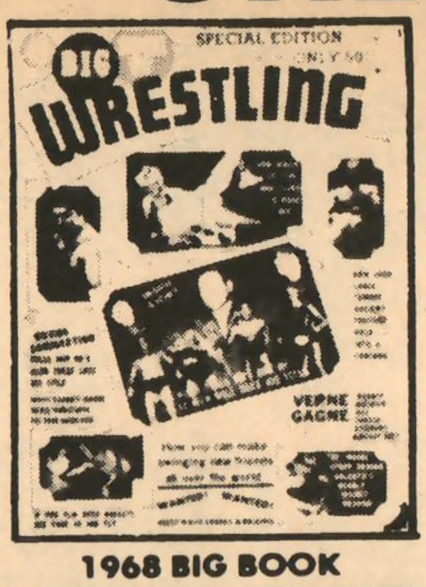

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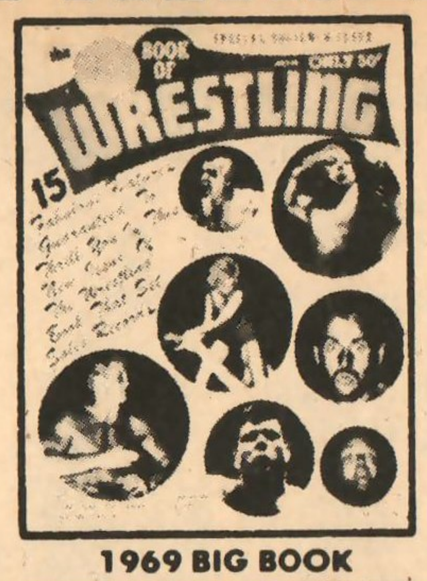

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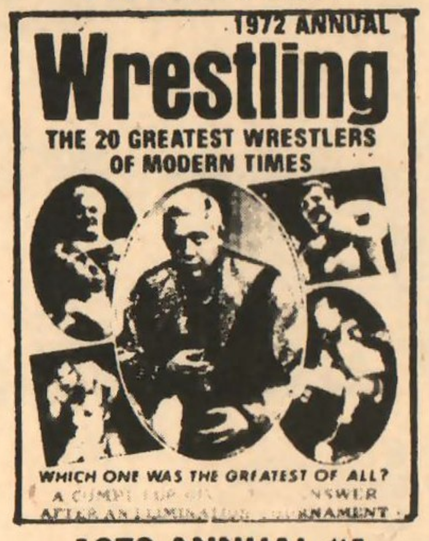

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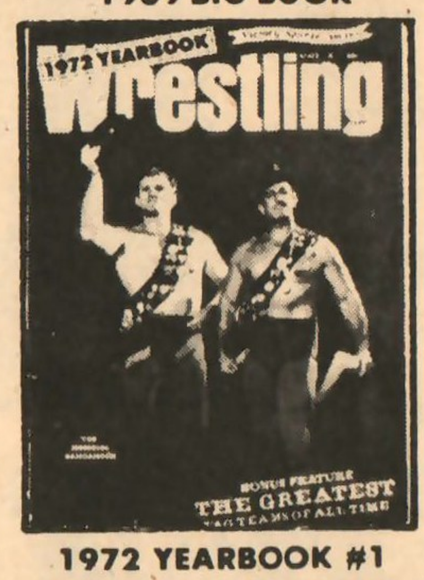

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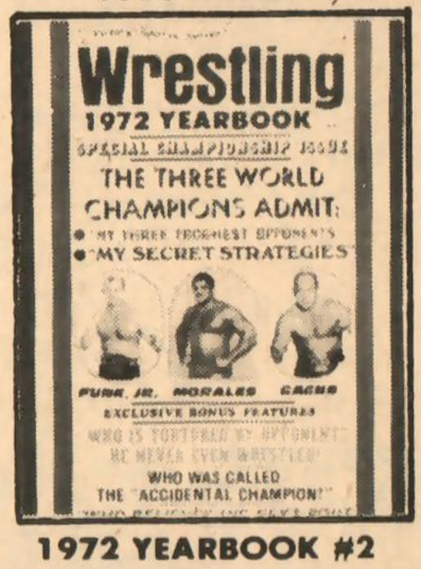

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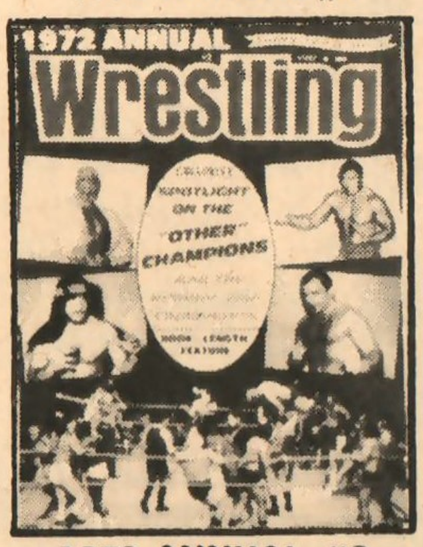

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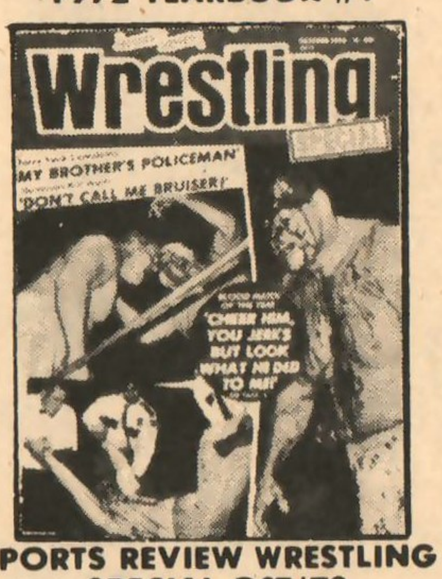

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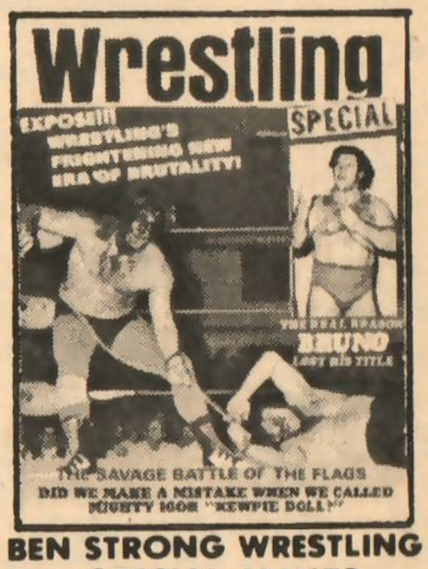
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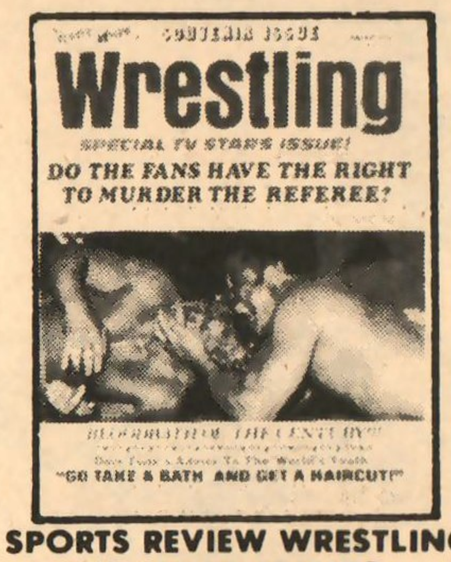

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BATTLE ROYAL

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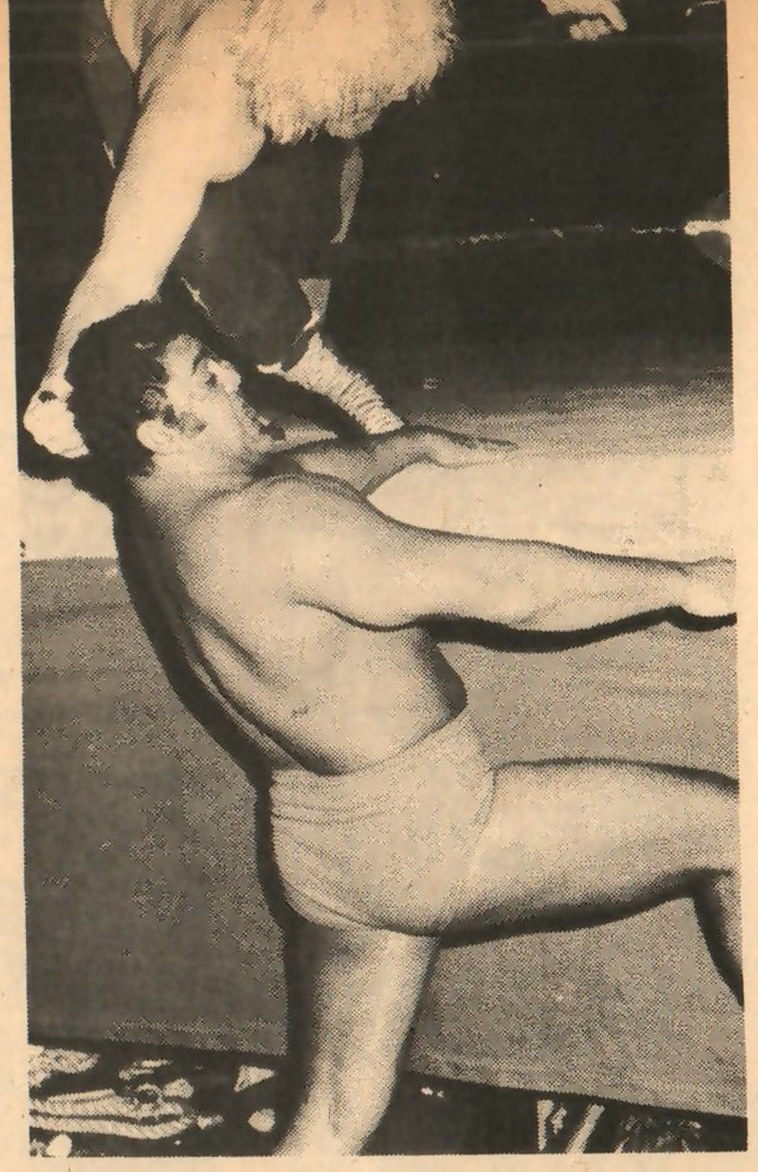
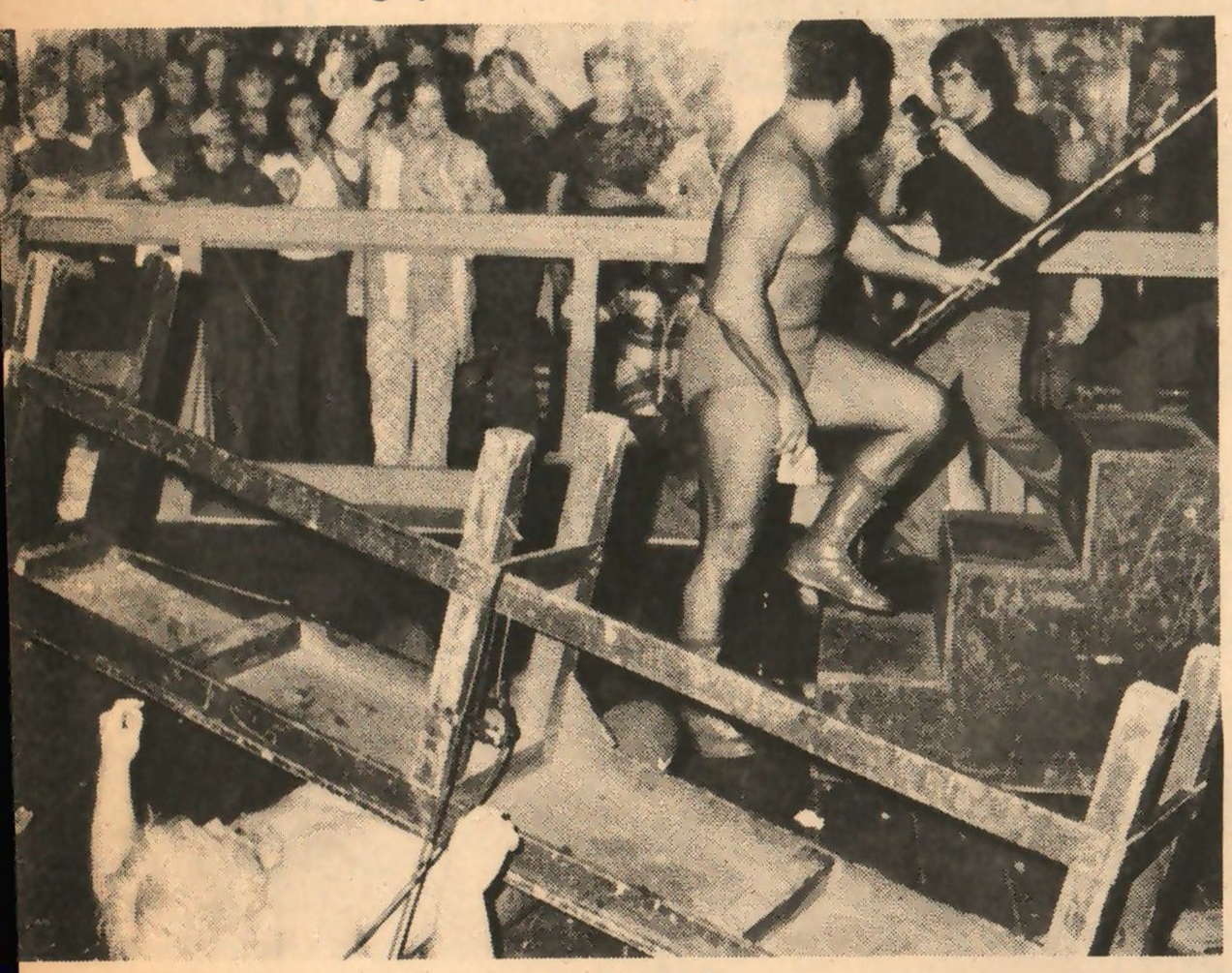
"Of course," Lou said. "Not only are they competing for the money and the title shot, they're also competing for the privilege of letting me handle their career from now on. With the exception of Blassie and Mayne, who I have under contract for a long period of time, the other guys will kill each other to get a chance to work for me."

"I'd love working for Lou," admitted Mike McCord, while suiting up for the match. "You know, I'm considered a rookie around the east and I'd like nothing better than to be the first rookie ever manged by an absolutely brilliant man like Lou Albano."

"Me too," added Buddy Wolff. "With a guy like Lou at your side, you can never go wrong."





Mayne (above) bangs Morales—head first—into a ringpost. But Pedro's not so easy to do away with. Remembering the bit with the table, Pedro turns things around (left) and smashes Mayne with the press table.

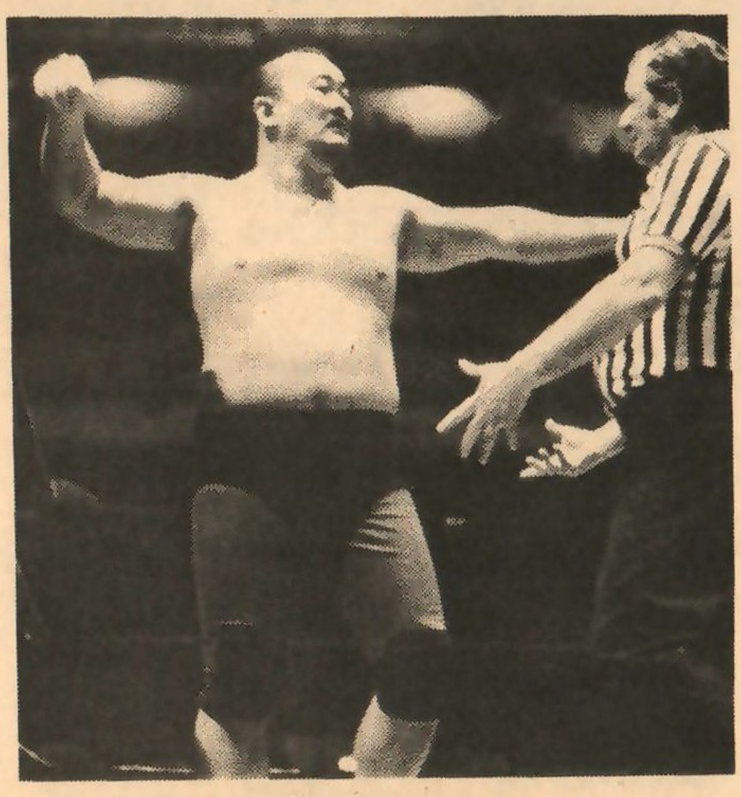
Albano was also managing the Leduc Brothers, Joe and Paul, for the day.

"Mr. Albano was once my manager," burly Joe told us. "He got me title shots whenever I wanted. He's a good man. I had to leave him because of personal reasons but I'd like to be with him again.

"So would I," Paul said. "I've heard a lot about Mr. Albano and he sounds like a wonderful man. I may even eliminate my brother if it comes down to the two of us being left in the ring. There'll be no draw no matter who I'm left with."

Mayne and Blassie, good friends and Lou's only permanent men in the Battle Royal, were asked what would happen if they were left together.

"No comment," Mayne said.



It's no use, Mr. Fugi. Once you've been tossed out of the ring, even arguing with the referee won't get you back into the Battle Royal.

Blassie gave the same reply but added, "we'll worry about that if and when it happens."

Seventeen men walked down the aisle to the ring. Then the 18th, John "Andre" Ferre came in moments later. It was his debut in Boston and the promoters wanted him to come in last so everyone could get a good glimpse of him, although we're sure he wouldn't have gotten lost in the crowd!

To everyone's surprise, Andre was dumped out early when everyone in the ring ganged up on him and hurled him over the top rope. He chuckled as he jogged back to the dressing room. The early elimination didn't seem to bother him.

Next went Pometti, McCord, Strongbow, Monsoon and most of Albano's men—including Lou! Finally there were four men left —Sonny King, Tony Garea, Blassie and Mayne!

The blond terrors worked Garea and Sonny over with foreign objects. Blassie picked Sonny up and threw him over the top rope. Now Garea was alone with the two terrors!

They double-teamed the rookie and sent Tony flying over the same rope. That ended Sonny's title bid.

What happens now? Mayne and Blassie were the only two left! The crowd rose to its feet. Would they wrestle each other? Slowly they drew closer and closer to each other. Then, just as it looked like they were about to lock horns, Blassie offered his hand.

"Put it there, pal," he suggested. They shook hands and discussed the situation.

Blassie went down to ringside and asked a commissioner for a coin.

"Let's flip for it," Blassie said. "The winner gets Morales.

The coin was flipped.

"Heads," Mayne called.

Heads it was. Mayne gets the title shot.

"We'll split the dough three ways," Moon Dog added. "You, me and Lou.

Mayne's match against Pedro was wild but the champ was able to upend him with a reverse cradle.

Was Albano disappointed?

"No," Lou admitted. "It was great to see all those guys tearing their heads off just to win the prize—me!"

Lou, we're sure the money was also an incentive—maybe even the bigger one! □

CONTEST

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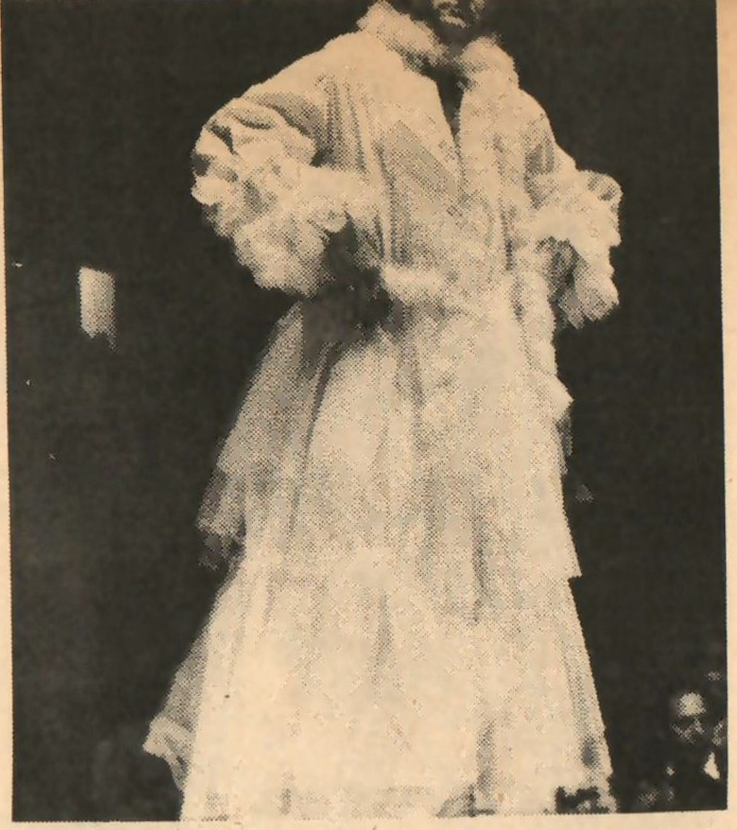
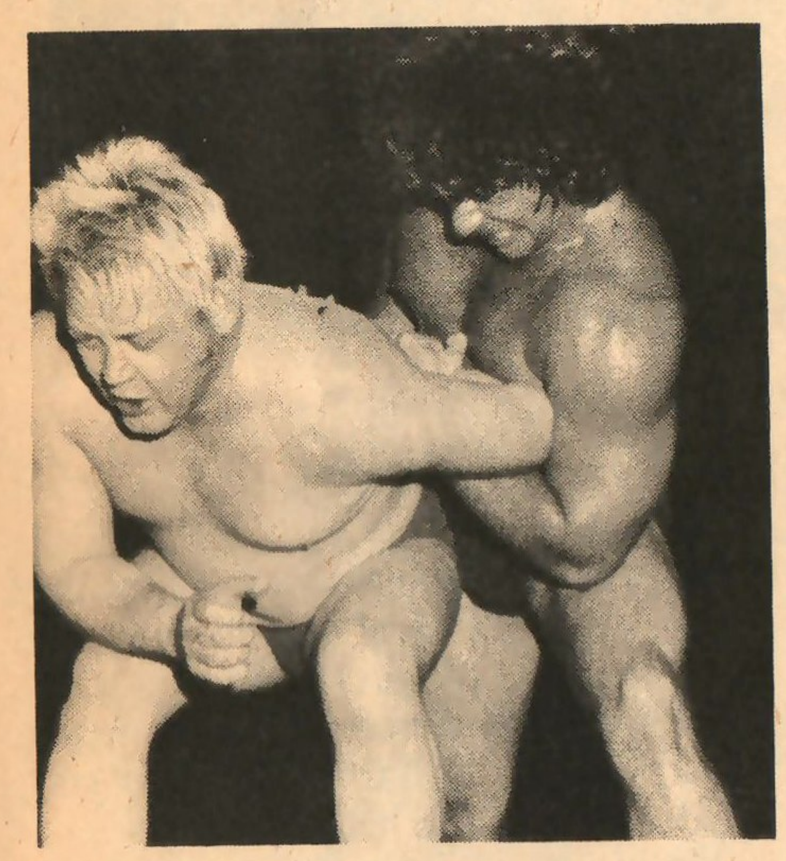
He's got Curtis leaning on the ropes, with his face contorted into a look showing he's not really pleased as an angry referee gives him a stern lecture.

The editors, like in all cases, decided on the winners first, and then discovered who took them. There was Ganley's name on the back of both winners.

Best posed picture honors went to Ruth Oman of Miami, Florida, for a portrait of Bobby Shane, which can only be called beautiful. Whether or not you like Shane's looks, you have to admit she captured him at his best including the glint of his eyes and shine of his hair.



Runners-up include Gorgeous George Jr. (above) for posed, Don Muraco and Ray Stevens (left) for action, and Ron Garvin carrying tag team partner Sandy Scott back to their dressing room (below) for unusual.



There were runners-up in each of the categories. These are photos we had to recognize, though they didn't make it to the top.

Terrance R. Machalek of Winnipeg, Canada, was runner-up in the action picture category for his shot of Don Muraco holding Ray Stevens in an armlock. Terrance—you really captured this one from the sweat on their bodies to the intense expressions on their faces.

Most unique, unusual or humorous runner-up was a photo of a very fatherly-looking Ronnie Garvin carrying Sandy Scott out of a match in North Carolina. Garvin was trying to make sure his angry tag-team partner didn't do anything to the opponents the referee wouldn't like. This piggyback shot was taken by Sylvia Burton of Danville, Va.

And finally, for the runner-up in the posed picture category, Glenn Brown of Tampa, Florida took that one. It was a picture of Gorgeous George, Jr. that was—just gorgeous.

So that's the story! Those are the winners and runners-up in the INSIDE WRESTLING/THE WRESTLER PICTURE CONTEST. And to each of those shutterbugs we say—a job well done.

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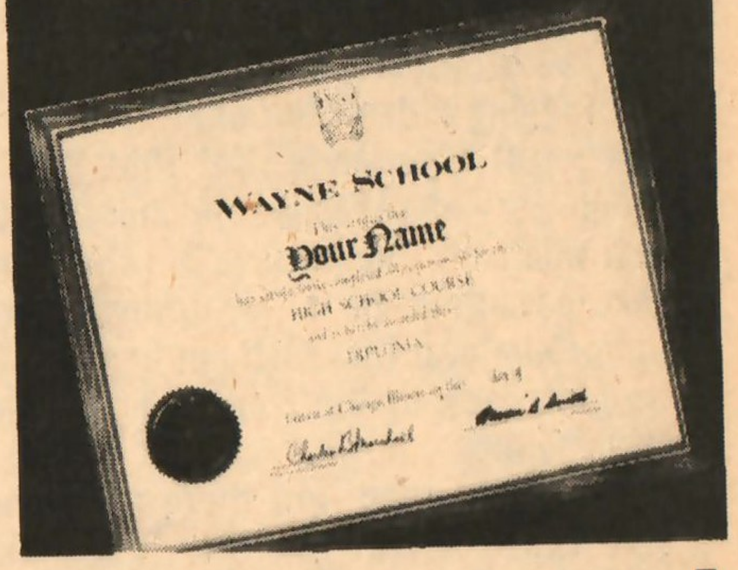

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GENERATION GAP

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it looks like curtains in a match. He has an amazing ability to reverse a defeat, an ability I bet I'd admire even if he wasn't my father."

Another element that does a lot to let some of The Big O's wrestling prowess rub off on the younger Orton is when the two occasionally team up together.

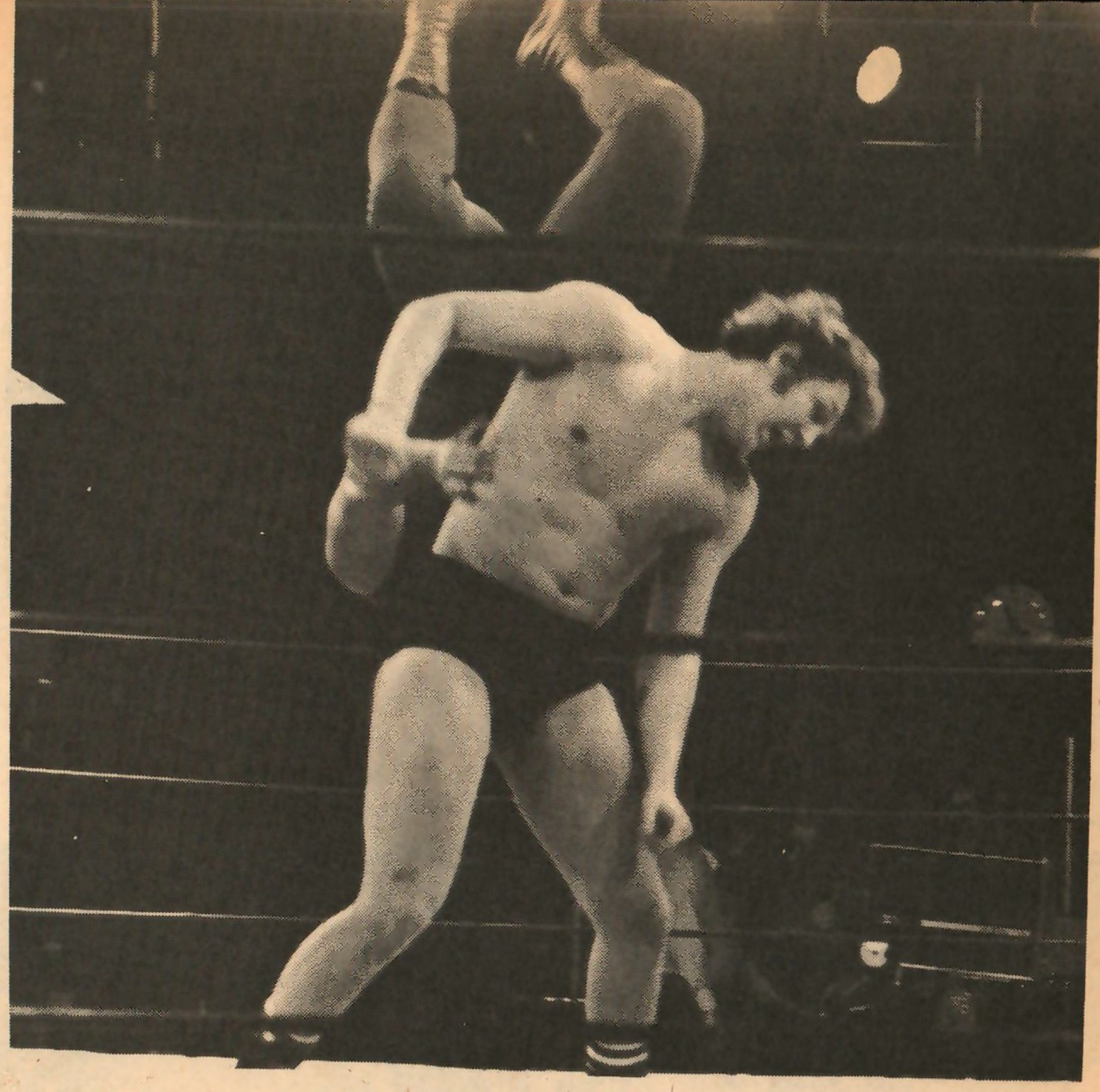
"Tagging with my father gives one hell-uva lot of experience. Not that it isn't rough. For some of those opponents know just where my weaknesses are, and they take advantage of it. My father makes up for whatever they dish out to me when he gets back in the ring and smashes them to bits.

"But right then and there my father can point out just where my gaps are, just where I need improvement, and just where my strengths are. So it's like getting four years of college in a few minutes in the arena."

The tag team of Orton and Orton is one of the most popular teams around. The fans flock from great distances to see the two of them in action. What they see is a father-son combination that makes people realize the American family is not a dying institution.

"What I learn from those tag matches, I use in my singles matches," Orton Jr. said. "And believe me. It really helps."

Bob Orton Jr. may be developing a wrestling style very similar to his father's. He even has the same physique as his father.



Young Bob Orton sends Mr. Wrestling No. 2 flying head first into the canvas. "Not bad for a young kid," said Mr. Wrestling. "But I wouldn't say he's anywhere near as good yet as his father."

He may be getting the tag of "some young kid" because of his tall and thin appearance. It's certainly not the physique most people associate with wrestlers. Yet his father has used his similar physique to his advantage.

His tall-thin "young kid" look can be very deceptive. You realize that when you watch the relative ease with which he backdrops Mr. Wrestling No. 2, for instance.

To Orton Jr. it's perfectly natural for him to be following his father into the wrestling arena.

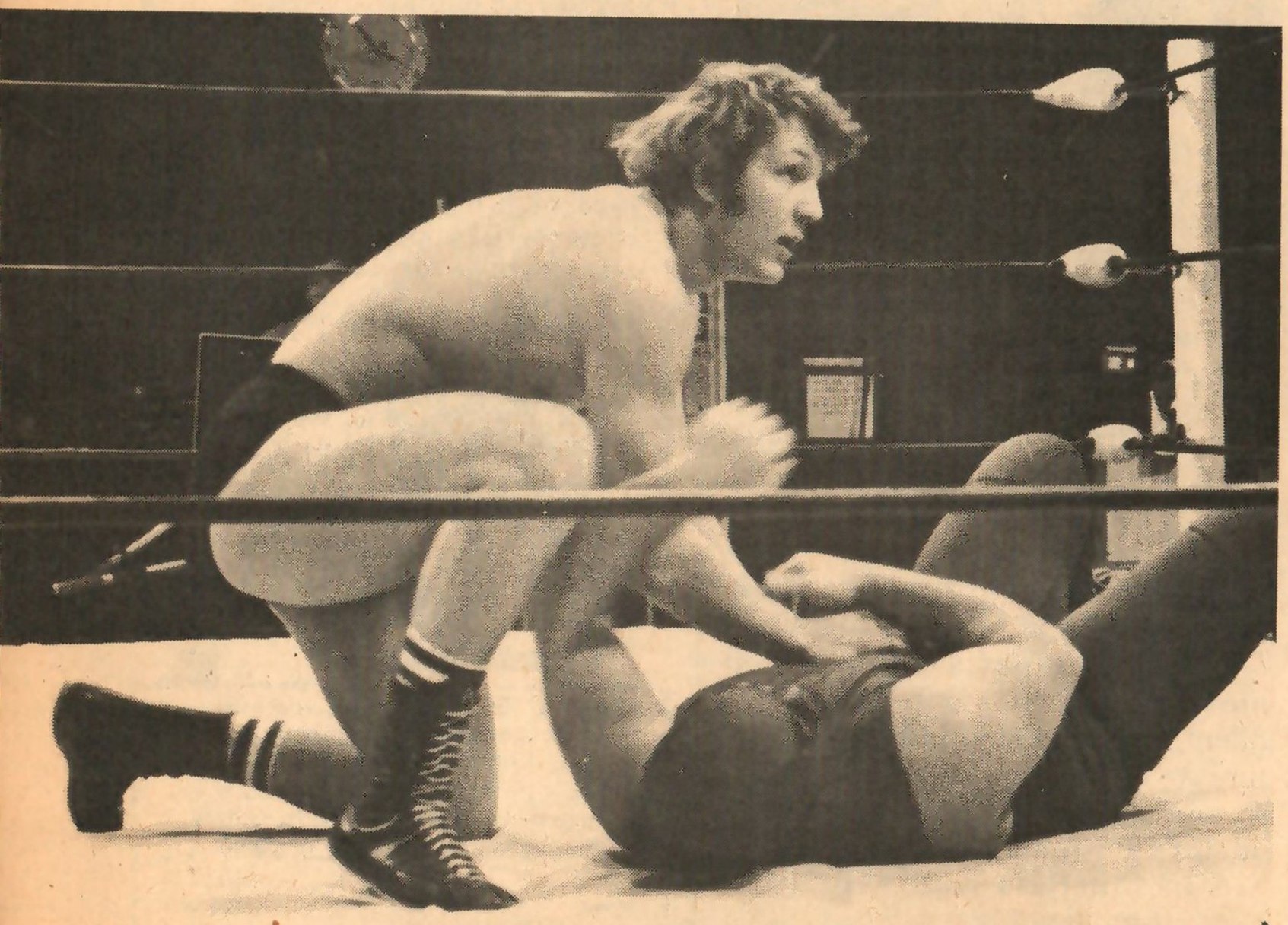
"Wrestling families are fairly common," he said. "Look at Eddie Graham's son, Mike, the Rougeau family, brothers Jack and Jerry Brisco, to name a few."

Mike Graham is one of those who showed he's a wrestler in his own right as well as the son of a famous wrestling father. He was voted Rookie of the Year by readers of THE WRESTLER and INSIDE WRESTLING.

Will Bob Orton Jr. be another Big O? Only time will tell.

In the meantime, young Bob is doing pretty well, especially according to his father.

"You see that wrestler battling Johnny Eagles?" said the Big O, while nudging a guy in the next seat. "You know who that is? That's my son!" □



Bob Orton Jr. better look quick because Mr. Wrestling has a fist headed straight for his chin. Young Orton has a "lot of potential" but needs "more refinement" says Mr. Wrestling.

Dory Funk Sr.

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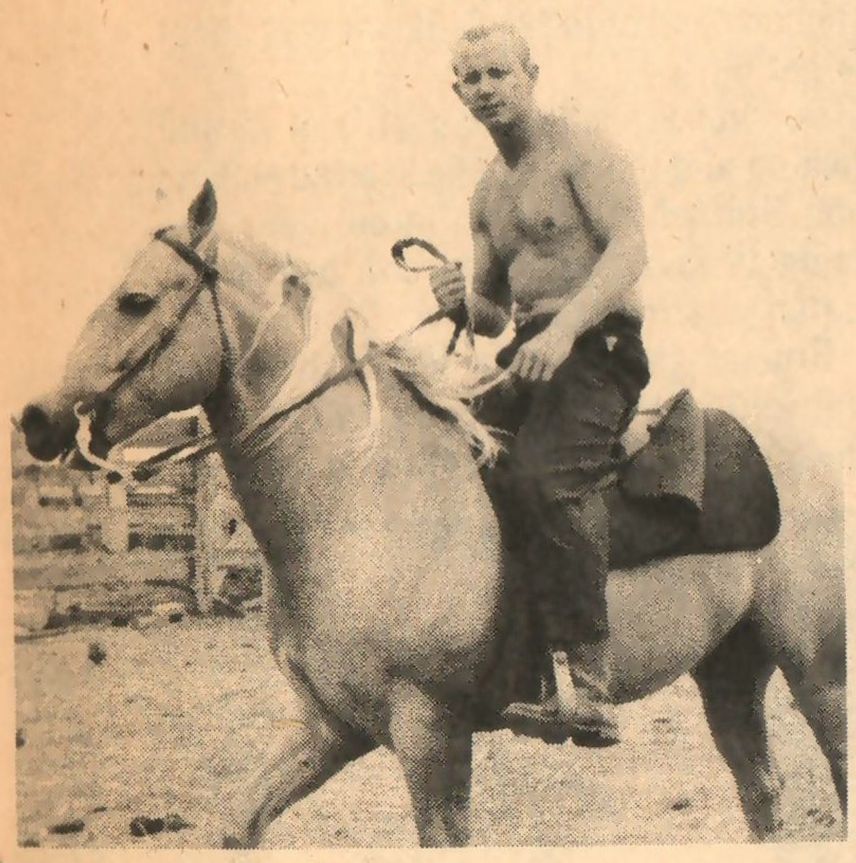
it. Fortunately, and I don't know if I can take credit here, both my boys have managed to follow those guidelines.

Maybe I was a little selfish 'cause it was my dream come true—something I'd planned for him. But I cried with happiness for him too because nobody knows more than me how much work he put into it.

I drove him hard but he drove himself hard as well. I remember times when the local boys would drop by and say "C'mon Dory, we're goin' out to have a little fun," but he'd stay home and work out. He had his fun, don't get me wrong, but he made quite a few personal sacrifices to get where he is today.

That's why I'm so proud of him. Sure. He had some advantages. His father in the business...famous wrestlers dropping by the ranch to give him pointers...things like that. But by and large he did it himself.



Dory Jr. used to round up the cows on horseback. But modern cowboys use pickup trucks. Dory was rounding up cattle when the truck overturned.

Now my boy is in the hospital with serious injuries. As it stands now, it appears that he'll be able to wrestle again although nobody can be certain.

But as I said before, I raised my boy to be a champion. And real champions meet bad times with guts and determination. That's why I'm convinced he'll lick this thing the same way he's licked those who challenge him—with courage.

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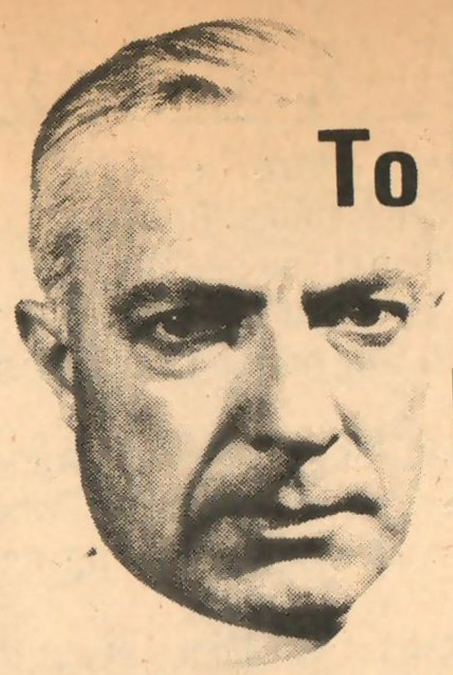

If you are troubled by thinning hair, dandruff, itchy scalp, if you fear approaching baldness, read the rest of this statement carefully. It may mean the difference to you between saving your hair and losing the rest of it to eventual baldness.

Baldness is simply a matter of subtraction. When the number of new hairs fail to equal the number of falling hair, you end up minus your head of hair (bald). Why not avoid baldness by preventing unnecessary loss of hair? Why not turn the tide of battle on your head by eliminating needless causes of hair loss and give Nature a chance to grow more hair for you? Many of the country's dermatologists and other foremost hair and scalp specialists believe that seborrhea, a common scalp disorder, causes hair loss. What is seborrhea? It is a bacterial infection of the scalp that can eventually cause permanent damage to the hair follicles. Its visible evidence is "thinning" hair. Its end result is baldness. Its symptoms are dry, itchy scalp, dandruff, oily hair, head scales, and progressive hair loss.

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ERNIE LADD

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ride home," Ladd said. "Bruiser—take a good look at what you see when you're standing up. For when I'm through with you, you'll be seeing nothing but the ceiling!"

"Don't worry, King!" shouted Bruiser from the other end of the ring. "When I'm through—you won't be seeing anything at all!"

Ernie didn't make any bones about the fact he might be having company once the match got underway. For as he stared at Bruiser menacingly, only a few feet behind him was blond-haired Bobby and bald-headed Baron.

Bruiser wanted to let Ernie know immediately how he felt about his status as King. So he bowed mockingly to Ladd. That was Bruiser's first mistake.

He let himself in for a bearhug and then for a trip onto the canvas. But once Bruiser got back on his feet he started an assault on the King that looked like a one-man revolution.

He set Ernie up for some punches, got him into a chinlock and then made Ladd moan as he applied a severe stomach claw.

Heenan rushed to the rescue and pulled Bruiser off Ernie. Then he sent him hurtling against the ropes, and when he got him there, he sent him through them with a dropkick.

Bruiser tumbled out of the ring, bounced off the apron, and fell into the laps of some surprised spectators. When he got his senses back he found Von Raschke applying a choke hold.

Bruiser somehow muttered something in German which suddenly made him stand at attention...a perfect position for a right to the jaw, which Bruiser delivered with no delay.

Bruiser wasn't finished with Von Raschke or with Ladd or Heenan. He got back into the ring and applied a succession of dropkicks, hammerlocks and choke holds to Ernie until Ladd couldn't get back on his feet.

Heenan rushed over to Ladd's side and started taking his pulse to see if his man was all right.

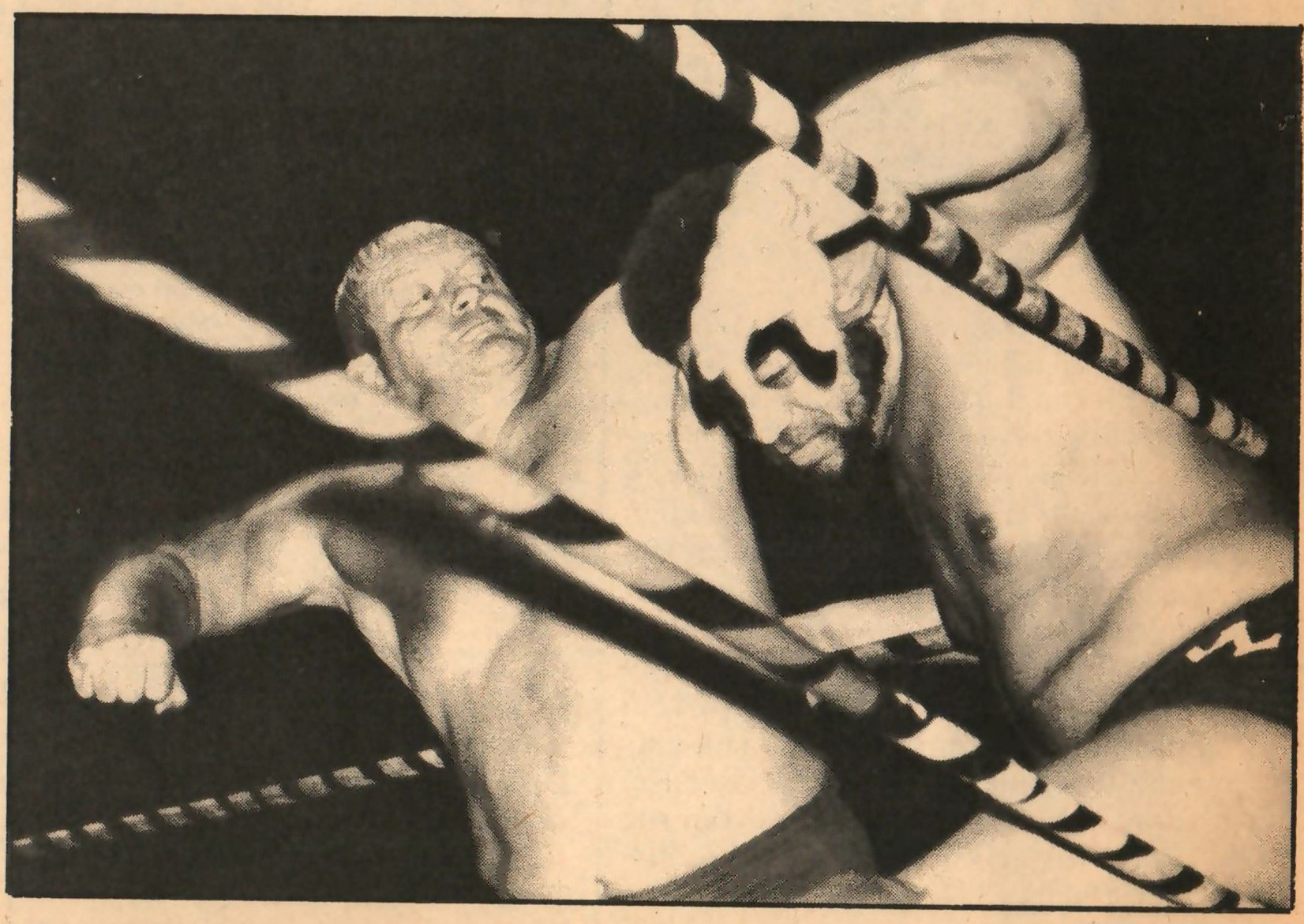
But Bobby was a little too concerned over Ladd for his own good. He didn't notice Bruiser's foot heading straight for his face.

A few kicks later and Heenan's face lost its expression of concern for Ladd. Bobby became more concerned with the blood (his blood) that was pouring down his nose and forehead.

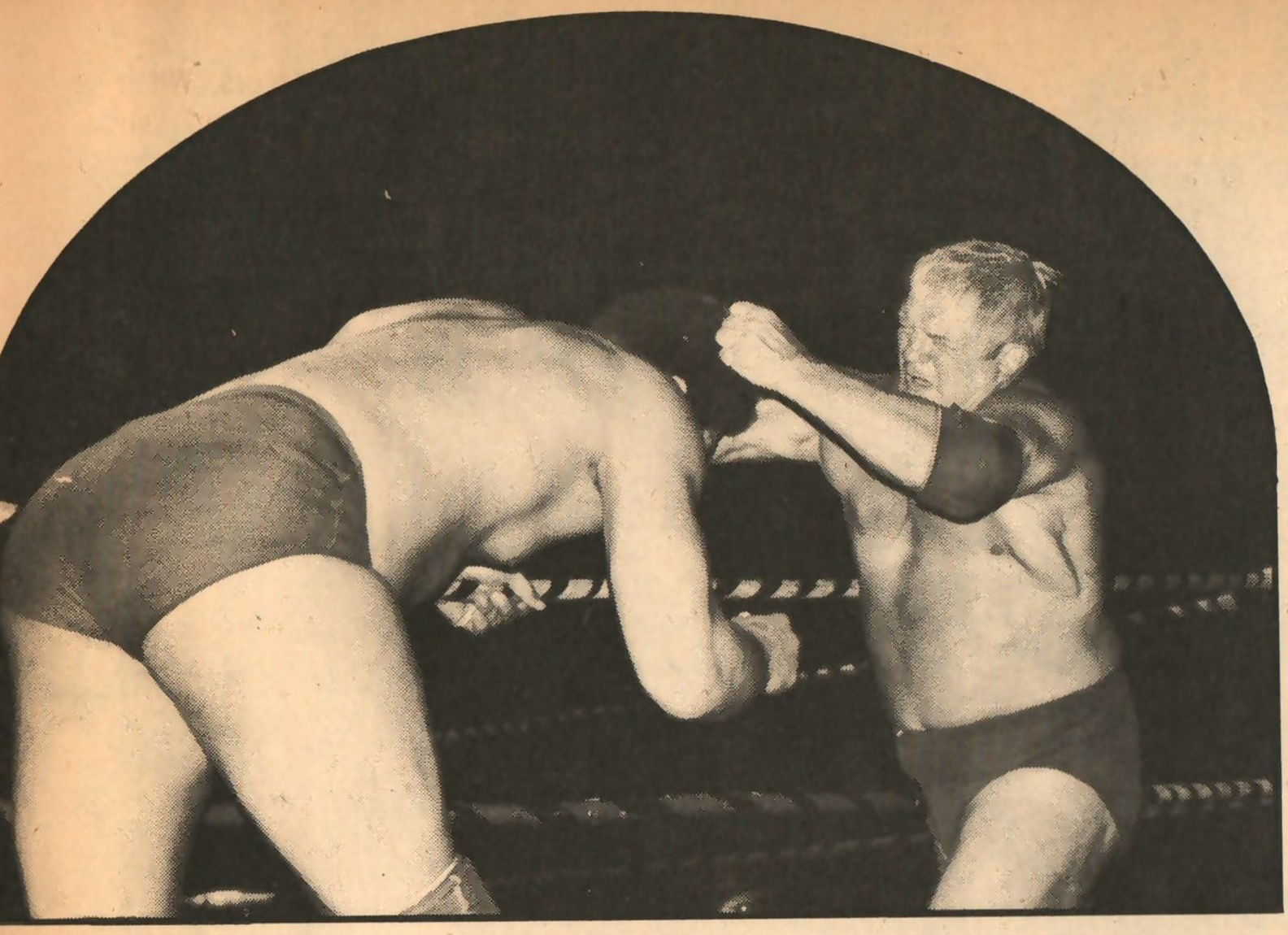
Wham! Again and again. Heenan was getting kicked in the head and the stomach and didn't look like he was about to get up.

But Von Raschke was still alive and kicking and the person he started kicking was Bruiser. But this Baron, too, was going to look like a red one before the match was over.

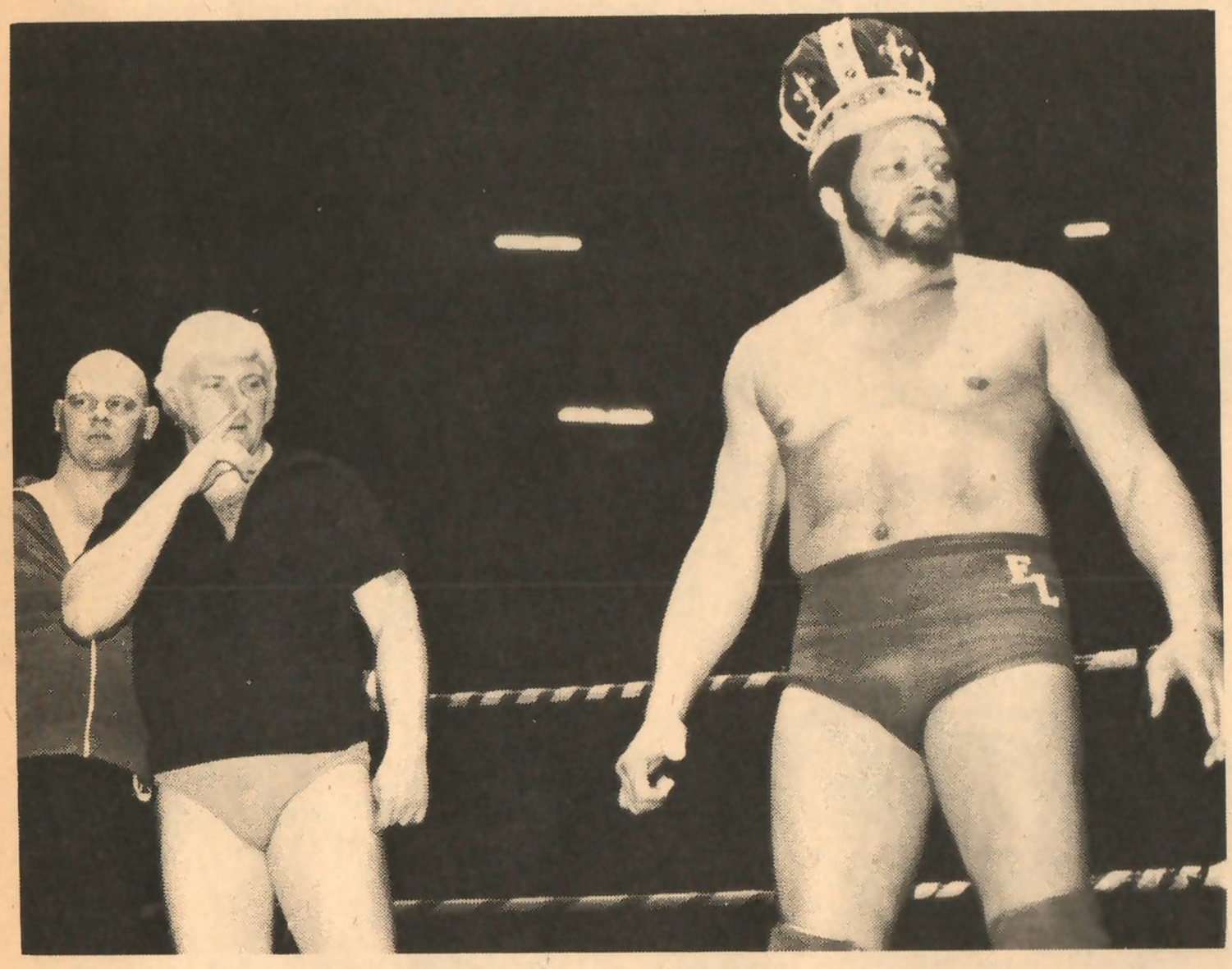
Bruiser grabbed his leg from behind and sent him sprawling on his rear end. Then he dragged the Baron in a headlock



With Ernie Ladd trapped against the ropes, he's in perfect position for a beating from Bruiser, who accommodates him. Ladd will soon discover who leaves the arena on a stretcher.



Bruiser's hair-pulling gives Ernie Ladd a real pain in the neck (above). Ladd will receive more pain than that before the match is complete. He won't feel like the King he was (below) earlier.



to the other end of the ring.

"Look at that," said Bruiser. "The Baron is about to be shotdown." Then he lifted him over the ropes and sent him into a nose-dive, crash-landing on his head near the feet of some fans.

Somehow Fritz made it back into the ring. And Ernie and Bobby were making it to their feet. Like a bowling ball, Bruiser sent them slamming into each other.

Ladd couldn't get up. Heenan helped the Baron up. They helped support each other as they attempted to hobble out of the ring.

"Hold it," said a doctor to the bloodied twosome. "You're not walking out in your condition."

Someone had ordered two more stretchers. Bobby and Fritz were carried out on them. The stretcher Ladd brought with him was already occupied. Ladd was the one in it.

And Bruiser? He just stood by watching it all. He seemed delighted by the outcome. He wasn't commenting. He didn't have to.

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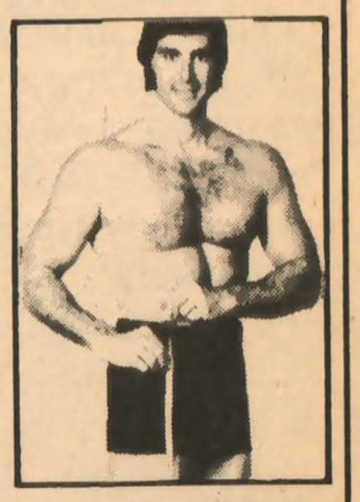

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RIPPER

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"I'll help you out," promised Destroyer. "I'll help you get that sweet revenge. I'll let you manage me. And all I ask is you get me a shot at the America's title."

And then there was the other tag team partner that Ripper found in Canada. In his journeys, Collins came across one of the most vicious

The Destroyer (above) gives David Morgan the type of treatment that's a treat for Ripper.

wrestlers that country has produced—Gordon Nelson.

It was Nelson and The Destroyer—a team Ripper felt would tear Mata and Morgan apart without working up a sweat. They were going to face a team of an Englishman and a Mexican—a team that had something the experts just couldn't figure out.

Morgan is an Englishman who recently came to the U.S. and who speaks, naturally, perfect English. Mata is a Mexican who doesn't speak perfect English. In fact, I speaks any English at all!

How do they get along? How do they work as a team? How do they communicate? Nobody could figure it out.

But no matter how—they really click as a tag team. They've been good enough to defeat every top team in the state of California. And good enough to become top contenders for the Americas title.

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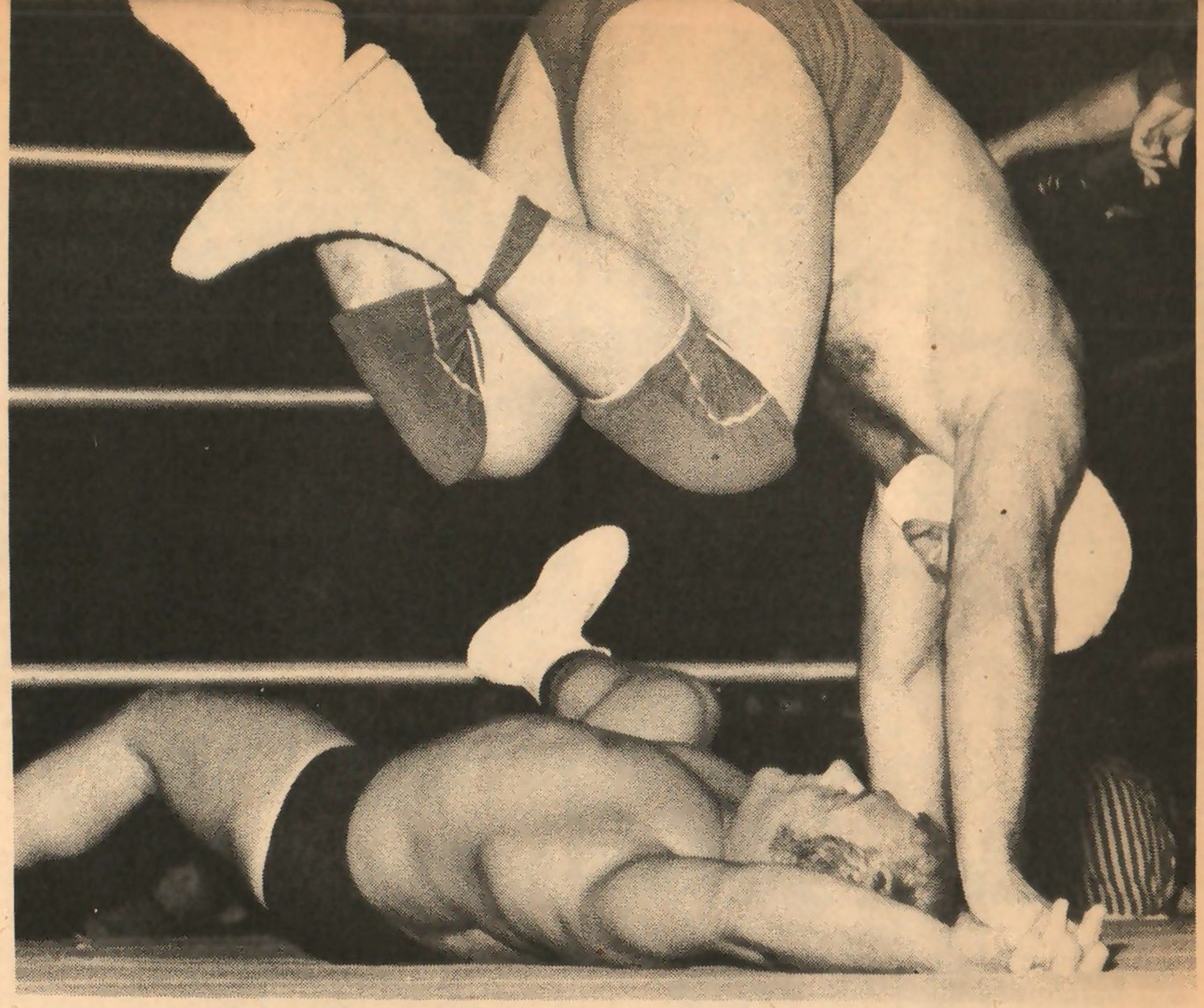

The Destroyer (above) is just seconds away from double-knee dropping Morgan in Ripper's revenge plan. The plan has ups and downs as Raul Mata (below) clamps a cradle on Nelson.

is a common dislike for the looks of Ripper Collins—a dislike which would be transferred to Collins' students—Nelson and The Destroyer.

When Mata and Morgan appeared in the arena loud applause and cheers came from the crowd. When Nelson put his arm around The Destroyer's shoulder in a show of brotherhood—the fans let out with a bunch of angry boos and hoots.

What followed was quite a disappointment to fans who turned out to see Ripper's boys ripped to shreds. What they saw looked like just the opposite.

They did see Morgan clamp a tremendous flying head scissor on The Destroyer as well as some other holds which made Mata and Morgan look like they were doing what they should.

But what they saw throughout most of the match was the Destroyer double kneedropping Morgan, Nel-

son choking Mata, and the Destroyer hammerlocking Mata. In other words, they saw a Mata and a Morgan they couldn't believe.

Collins was licking his lips throughout the match. He was watching what he wanted to watch —the end of Mata and Morgan.

But the decision made him almost drop his jaw to the canvas. The ruling was The Destroyer and Nelson were disqualified—for using foreign objects!

Spanish-speaking Raul Mata finds pain the same in any language and gets The Destroyer's message.

An alert fan had caught sight of a tiny electrical instrument concealed in The Destroyer's hand. He had pointed it out to the referee. A search was conducted and it was found.

The object had been used to mess up Mata and Morgan. The shock generated was just enough to throw their reactions off balance. It had upset them as much as Ripper often claimed he was after they had fouled him.

"They're pulling the same damn thing!" yelled an infuriated Collins. "They're using the same crap on them they tried on me. They're taking a legitimate win and twisting it around. They're out to get me. That's all. They won't let me win no matter what!"

Collins stormed out of the arena, kicking everything in his way, and even a few things that weren't.

"Goddam it Mata! Goddam it Morgan! Goddam it both of you! You'll pay for this! You got away this time! But you won't get away next time! Or the next time after that! Or the one after that!

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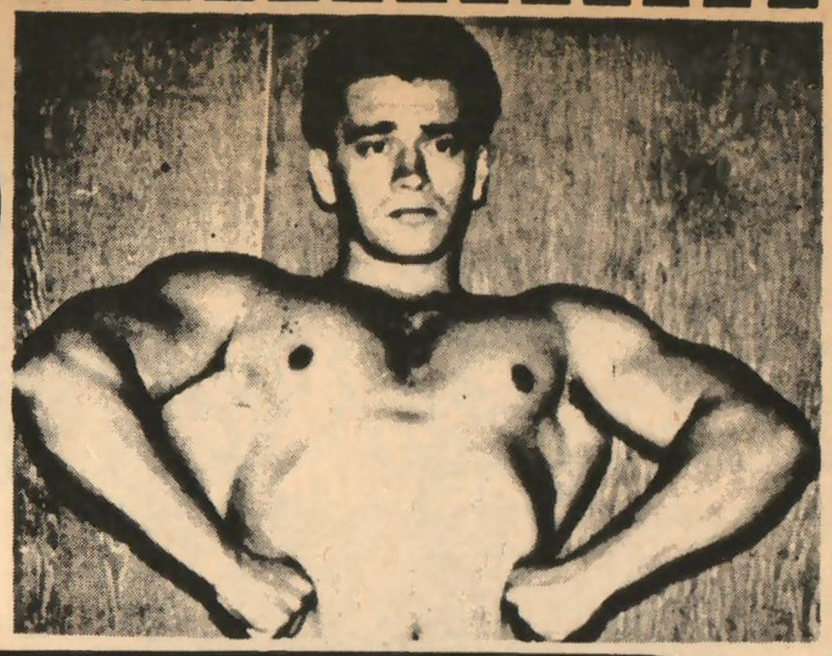

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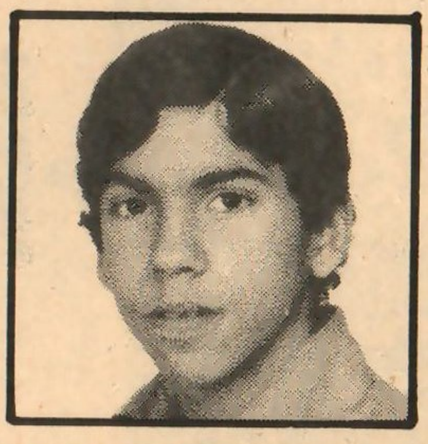

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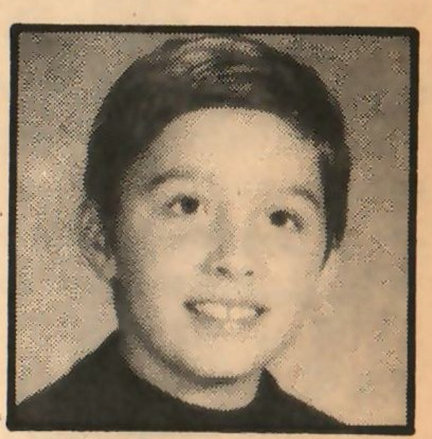

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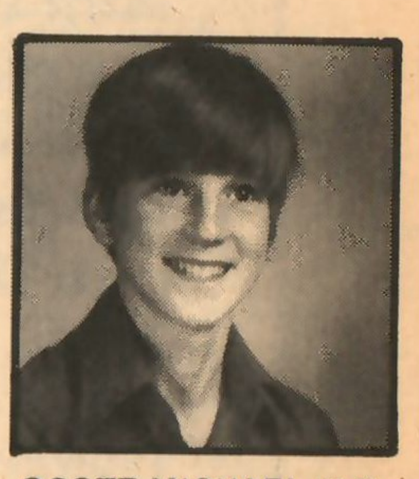

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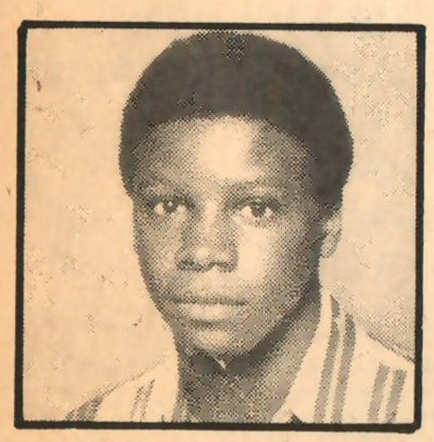

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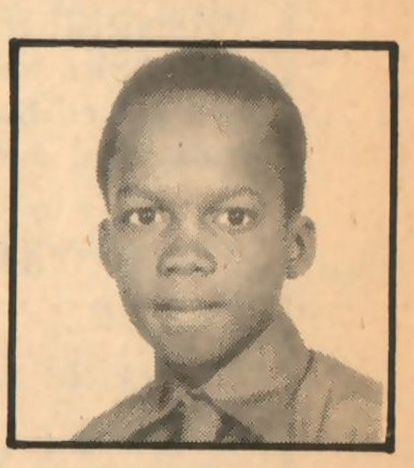

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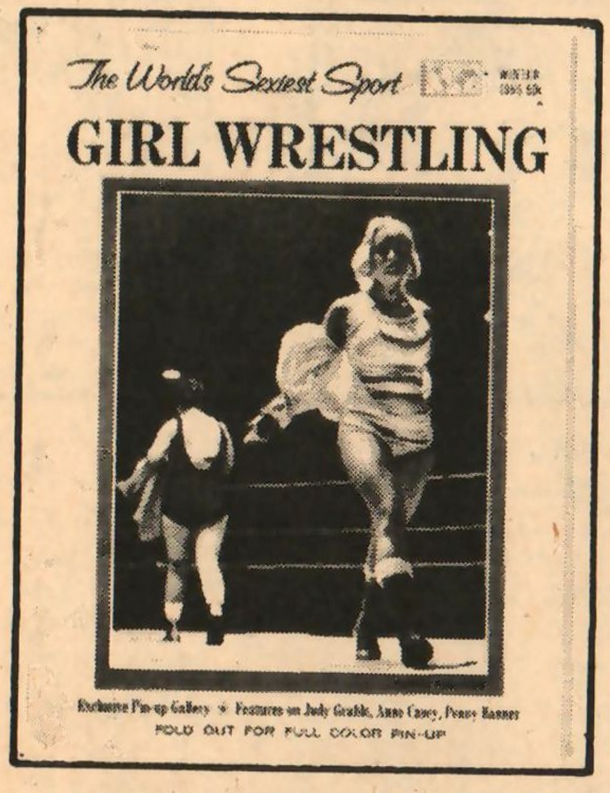
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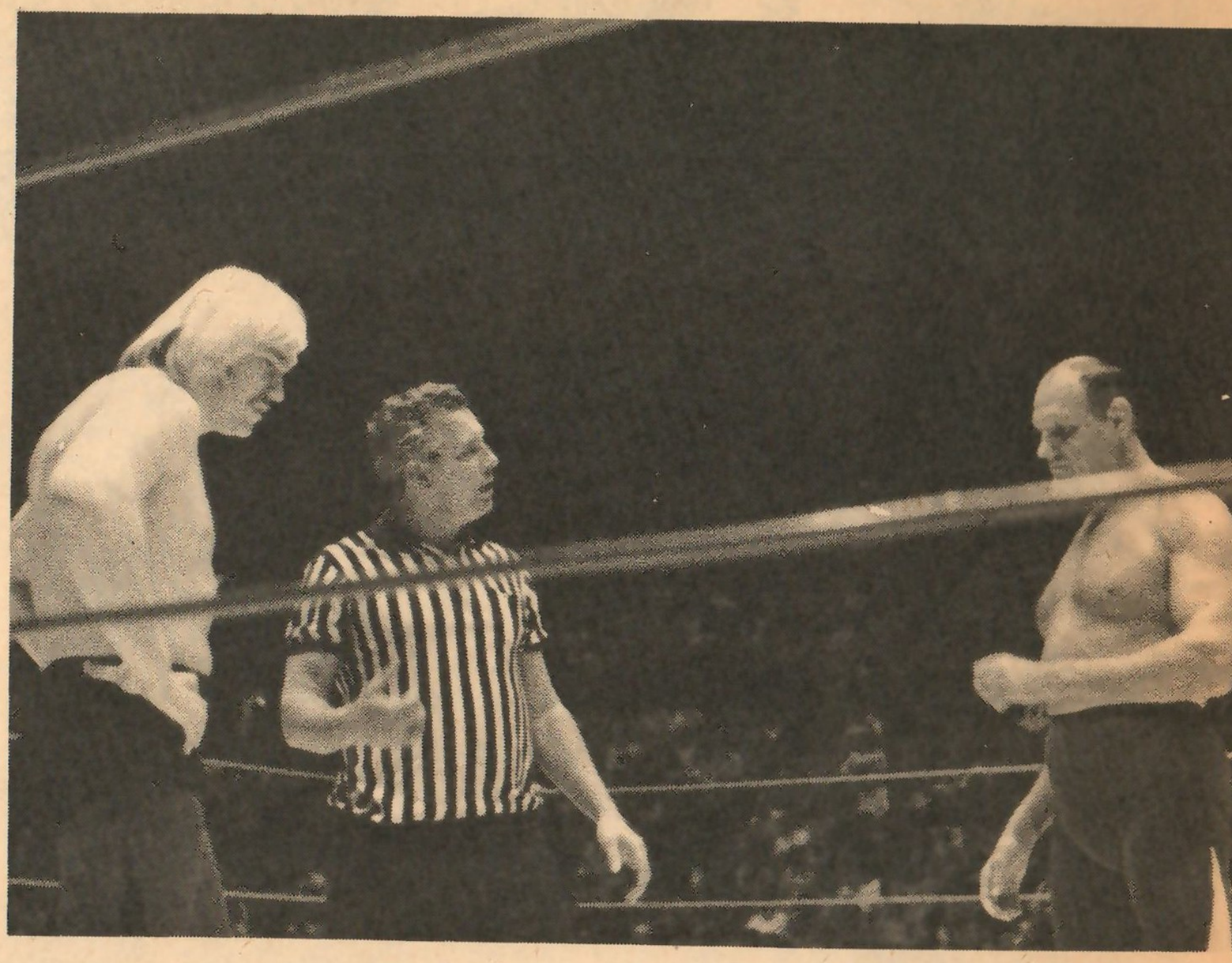

stopped by police because he was wearing a mask and they thought he was a criminal. I thought it was very funny. How about "Hotseating" Mil's classy brother, El Sicodelico. I'm sure many fans would love to get to know him better via interview.

SUE KARPMAN
Albuquerque, New Mexico

CHUCK'S LESSON

I think that Chuck O'Connor had a lot of guts to wrestle his idol and teacher, Killer Kowalski. Chuck must've been very nervous and hadn't he been so tense he might have beaten Kowalski. I have a feeling he'll do it one of these days. Imagine how great he'll feel!

TONY REARDON
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

ROMERO ROOTERS

Well, it's high time you guys did a story about the great Ricky Romero like the one you had in your MAY /'73 issue of THE WRESTLER. Not only does he have a love affair with the fans, we have a love affair with him. Ricky is a sensational wrestler and a great human being. I've met him several times and he's just the kind of person you feel like inviting to your house for dinner. Let's have more stories about Ricky—real pronto!

MIGUEL GUERERA
Houston, Texas

You gotta give Chuck O'Connor a lot of credit for wrestling his idol Killer Kowalski. It took a lot of courage on Chuck's part.

I wish more wrestlers would take up Ricky Romero's philosophy that "Anything I have today I have because of wrestling and the people who pay to see me wrestle." Guys like Abdullah The Butcher and The Great Mephisto couldn't care less about the fans. Did they ever realize we're paying their salaries? If they'd be nice to us, we'd pay a better top dollar to see them wrestle. I'd pay up to 20 bucks to see Ricky wrestle and wouldn't give a dime to see a bad guy.

DAVE TISSHER
Los Angeles, California

LEARN A LESSON!

Ricky Romero is too nice. That's right. A lot of guys take unfair advantage of him. Ricky, learn a lesson. Stop taking abuse from the vicious animals they match you against.

TOM DALTON
Houston, Texas

BROOKS IS BRAINY

Killer Brooks isn't scared of Tony Marino even if Tony always carries foreign objects into the ring. I don't know if anyone told you guys, that was not a chain match between

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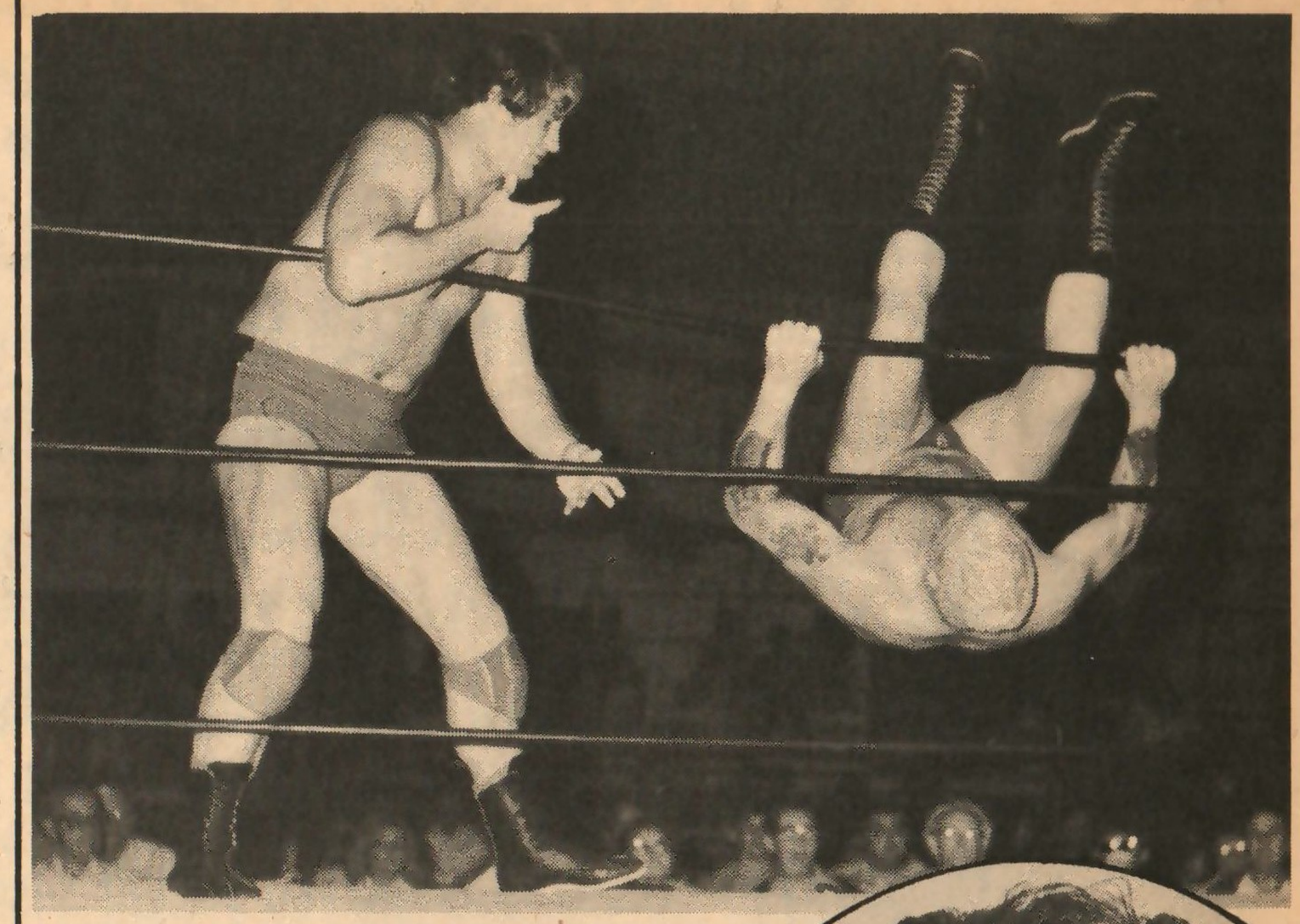


Our articles on Terry Funk (above) have made Lone Star State fans happy. The picture of midget Lord Littlebrook carrying Pedro Morales was quite a shocker.

Brooks and Marino as you stated in the May/'73 WRESTLER. Marino illegally brought the chain in. Killer Brooks is afraid of no man!

SAM KANER
Cleveland, Ohio

MIGHTY MIDGETS

Wow, was I surprised, or make that shocked, to see that photo of Lord Littlebrook carrying Pedro Morales on his shoulders! I guess midgets are a lot stronger than we give them credit for.

GARY UNITAS
Detroit, Michigan

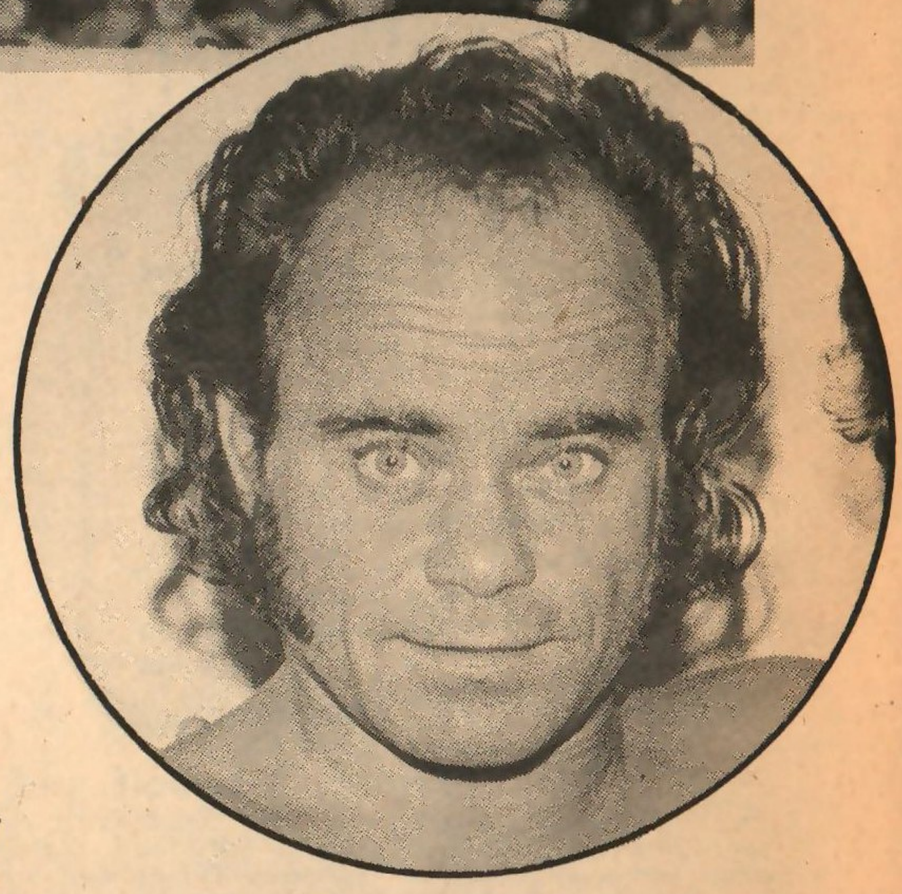
FERRE WILL BE CROWNED!

In my opinion, Pedro Morales is the best of the champions. I also feel that John "Andre The Giant" Ferre will emerge the undisputed champion of the world in the future and we have Edouard Carpentier to thank for discovering him.

VICTOR BRACH
Orange, New Jersey

TERRIFIC TERRY

I don't know how to put it in so few words, but thank you for running the many stories about Terry Funk. They are fantastic. He is my favorite wrestler and the number one wrestler in the world. A while back I wrote to you asking if you could please do



some stories about Terry and you kindly answered my request with some of the best articles your magazines have ever done. I'm grateful to you because you have let the entire wrestling scene know what a great, capable, strong and intelligent wrestler the pride of the Lone Star State, Terry Funk, is.

FABIENNE FOURRIER
Lake Jackson, Texas

NAUGHTY NEW YORK

I read the article, "New York Wrestling: Rate It X," in THE WRESTLER, MAR/'73.

If there can't be any mixed matches, chain matches or battle royals, they should cut out wrestling altogether. To me, battle royals are very exciting. I don't think New York fans should be deprived of seeing them.

TOM BLACKWELL
St. Louis, Missouri □

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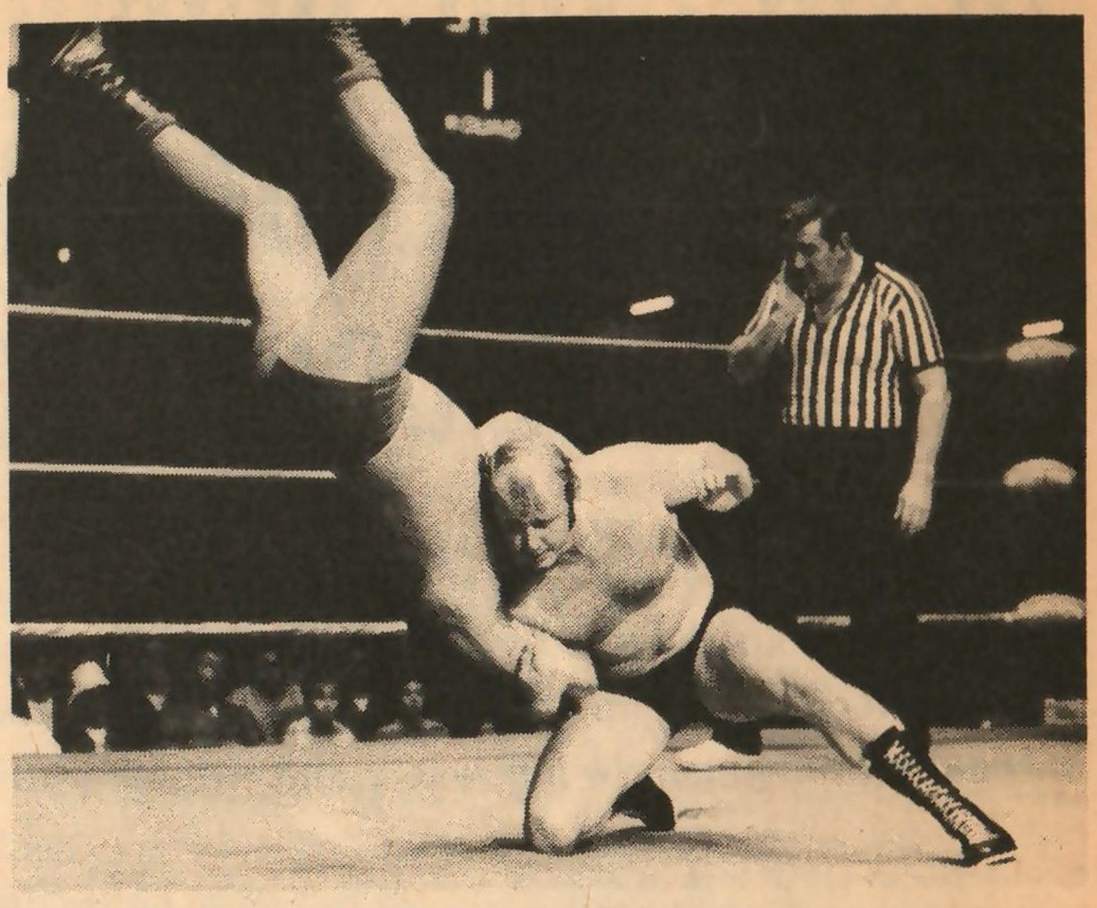


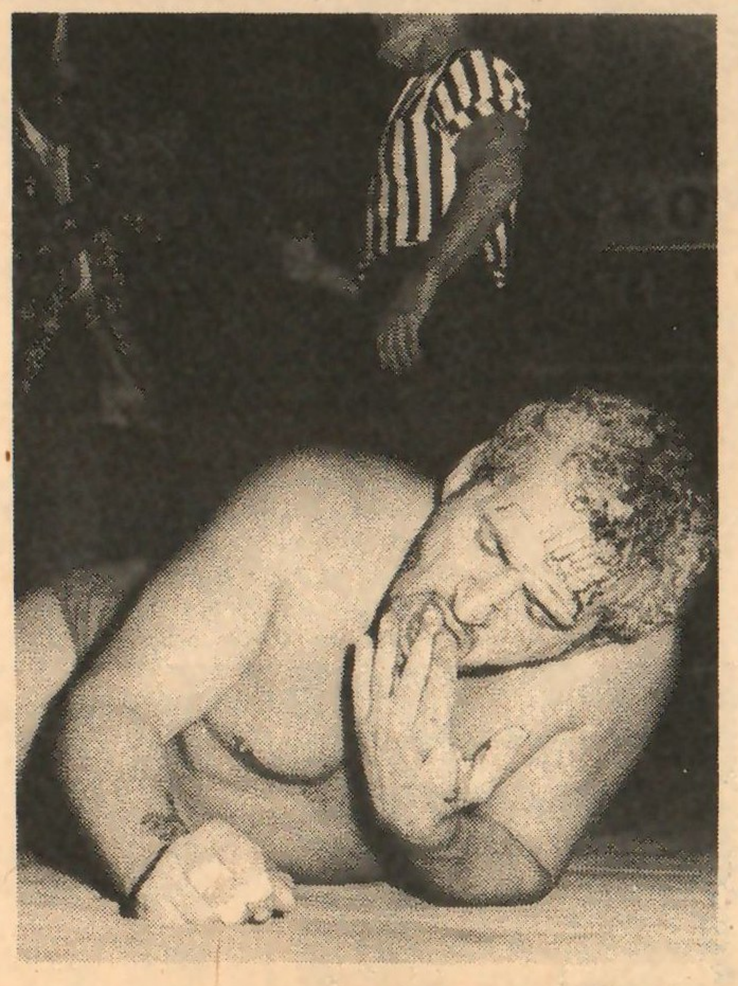
Dory Funk Jr. startled Atlanta fans by throwing Mr. Wrestling into the ropes so hard they gave way. Mr. Wrestling fell backwards onto the concrete floor, and was seriously injured. The match was stopped and Dory Jr. won.

the ropes. Just then, as he hit the ropes, the ropes gave way! Mr. Wrestling fell backwards, onto the concrete floor, injuring himself seriously. The referee immediately stopped the match and declared it a win for Dory.

Showing what a great sport he is, Dory demanded that the match be ruled a draw and announced he'd like a rematch whenever Mr. Wrestling recovers from his injury.

Mike and Eddie Grahm, father and son team, retained their Georgia tag team title by stopping The Monroe Brothers.

Bobo Brazil returned to Atlanta after a lengthy absence to team with Norvel Austin. Their opposition was Tarzan Tyler and Arman Hussein, managed by Dandy Jack Crawford. Bobo and Norvel came out on top when Brazil coco-butted them to victory.



The Sheik liked the taste of his blood almost as much as the blood of Chief Jay Strongbow.

ONTARIO ACTION
By Rudy Iseli

Well, The Sheik did it again. At Maple Leaf Gardens, in Toronto, he had a rematch with Chief Jay Strongbow which Strongbow accepted only on the terms that there be two referees. To the fans' disappointment, two weren't enough.

They were assigned to keep peace in the ring if one referee was knocked out by accident—or on purpose—by the Arab wild man.

Strongbow gave The Sheik a terrific beating but made a mistake when Sheik managed to crawl to the spot near the ring where his manager, Abdullah Farouk, handed him a foreign object.

The Sheik drove the object into Strongbow's forehead, splitting it and causing a waterfall of blood.

The Chief, in a berserk state, chopped away at Sheik. The Sheik dropped the foreign object. Referee Pat Flannagan picked it up. When The Chief tried to get it away from the referee, and Pat refused, Strongbow tomahawk chopped him and the official collapsed.

Next, The Chief ran out of the ring and picked up the press table, threw it in the ring, aiming for Sheik. But he hit the referee and knocked him out! However, at this point, the first referee regained his senses and disqualified Strongbow. □

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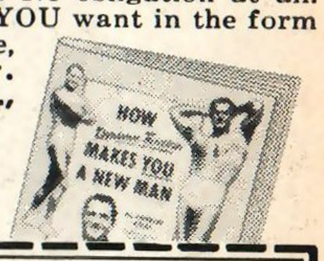

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